

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“No disciple is superior to the teacher; but when fully trained, every disciple will be like his teacher.”

Luke 6:40

Saturday, March 1 | Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30-8:45 AM	Confessions	St Joseph Onekama
9:00 AM	Mass of the Day 1st Saturday †James Stone	St Joseph Onekama
	Holy Hour of Adoration (<i>following Mass</i>)	
3:00-3:45 PM	Confessions	St Joseph Onekama
4:00 PM	Mass Special Intention.....	St Joseph Onekama
6:30 PM	Mass for the People	St Raphael Copemish

Sunday, March 2 | Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:20-7:45 AM	Confessions	St Joseph Onekama
8:00 AM	Mass for the People	St Joseph Onekama
10:00 AM	Confessions Rosary.....	St Raphael Copemish
10:30 AM	Mass for the People	St Raphael Copemish

Monday, March 3 | Saint Katharine Drexel, Virgin

8:45 AM	Holy Hour of Adoration	St Joseph Onekama
10:00 AM	Mass	St Joseph Onekama

Tuesday, March 4 | Saint Casimir

4:15 PM	Holy Hour of Adoration Devotions to the Holy Face of Jesus and Our Lady of Perpetual Help.....	St Joseph Onekama
4:50-5:10 PM	Confessions	St Joseph Onekama
5:30 PM	Mass †Rose Ann Maue.....	St Joseph Onekama

Wednesday, March 5 | Ash Wednesday

8:00 - 8:15 AM	Confessions	St Joseph Onekama
8:30 AM	Mass †Mary Nursey.....	St Joseph Onekama
	Holy Hour of Adoration (<i>following Mass</i>)	
5:00-5:45 PM	Confessions	St Raphael Copemish
6:00 PM	Mass	St Raphael Copemish

Thursday, March 6 | Thursday after Ash Wednesday

7:15 AM	Mass	St Joseph Onekama
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Friday, March 7 | Friday after Ash Wednesday

8:00-8:15 AM	Confessions	St Raphael Copemish
8:30 AM	Mass Saints Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs	St Raphael Copemish
	Holy Hour of Adoration (<i>following Mass</i>)	
5:45 PM	Stations of the Cross	St Joseph Onekama

Saturday, March 8 | First Sunday of Lent

8:30-8:45 AM	Confessions	St Joseph Onekama
9:00 AM	Mass of the Day Saint John of God, Religious	St Joseph Onekama
	Holy Hour of Adoration (<i>following Mass</i>)	
3:00-3:45 PM	Confessions	St Joseph Onekama
4:00 PM	Mass Special Intention.....	St Joseph Onekama
6:30 PM	Mass for the People	St Raphael Copemish

Sunday, March 9 | First Sunday of Lent

7:20-7:45 AM	Confessions	St Joseph Onekama
8:00 AM	Mass Father Nursey.....	St Joseph Onekama
10:00 AM	Confessions Rosary.....	St Raphael Copemish
10:30 AM	Mass for the People	St Raphael Copemish

— The Rosary is recited 30 minutes prior to each weekend Mass. —



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Celebrating Anniversaries ♥

03/07 M/M Steven Grumley

Celebrating Birthdays 🎂

03/04 Amanda Alber,
 Debbie Tiefenthal
 03/05 Beth Grumley, Jean Howes
 Jane Miller, Mary Jane Rumler
 03/07 Chelsea Miller
 03/08 Peter Bologna, Virginia Smith
 03/09 Maria Magana Garcia

Lenten Day of Reflection

Father Nursey, along with other priests in the Diocese of Gaylord, will be attending the Lenten Day of Reflection in Conway on **Thursday, March 6th**. As a result, Father Nursey will be offering Mass on Thursday at **St. Joseph of Onekama at 7:15 AM**.

The evening Holy Hour, Confessions and Mass at St. Raphael of Copemish are CANCELED on this day only.



SUNDAY
MAY 4
 3:00 PM
 FREE ADMISSION
FREEWILL OFFERINGS ACCEPTED

2ND ANNUAL
GO TO BAT
 FOR VOCATIONS

CLERGY & RELIGIOUS VS STUDENTS

Let's hit it out of the park for vocations!

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, March 4
 1:00 PM Stained Glass Ministry..... SJ
 4:00 PM Legion of Mary Meeting SJ
 6:20 PM Choir Practice..... SJ
 6:20 PM Mardi Gras Reception SJ
 7:00 PM Tri-Saints Knights of Columbus Mtg SJ

Ash Wednesday, March 5
 9:30 AM Bible Study | The Prophets SJ
 6:00 PM Youth Faith Formation Class SJ

Thursday, March 6
 1:00 PM Stained Glass Ministry..... SJ

Friday, March 7 | World Day of Prayer
 10:30 AM Bible Study | The Prophets SR
 5:45 PM Stations of the Cross SJ
 6:15 PM Lenten Soup Supper SJ



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Both St. Joseph of Onekama and St. Raphael of Copemish **share** myParish app which is **available for Apple and Android smart phones and tablets**. You can download the app for **free** by scanning the QR Code with your device's camera, or by texting the message **APP** to the number **55321**. Select St. Joseph Catholic Church (49675) after opening. You can even favorite multiple parishes if you'd like! If you need help downloading or using the app, please call the parish office.

Go to Bat for Vocations | May 4, 2025

You are invited to a community and fundraising event benefitting the Office of Vocations! Come and watch our diocesan Clergy & Religious take on students from high schools throughout the Diocese in a friendly game of softball at Turtle Creek Stadium in Traverse City.

Date: Sunday, May 4, 2025
Time: 3:00 PM-6:30 PM
Where: Turtle Creek Stadium (333 Stadium Drive, Traverse City, MI 49685)
Cost: Freewill Donations (Cash and Check donations are accepted)
RSVP not required, but preferred: dioceseofgaylord.org/gotobat

RSVP allows us to get a better idea of attendance and the ability to communicate with all attendees should there be a change due to weather.

St. Joseph of Onekama Catholic Church
 8380 Fifth St, #150
 Onekama, MI 49675
StJosephOnekama.org

Mailing address for both Parishes
8380 Fifth St, #150, Onekama, MI 49675
 231.889.4254
 ParishOffice@StJosephOnekama.org
 Office Hours: T- F | 9AM - 4:30PM

St. Raphael of Copemish Catholic Church
 18440 Cadillac Hwy
 Copemish, MI 49625
StRaphaelCopemish.org

Greetings to all and Happy Almost Lent!

Lent is almost here. It begins this Ash Wednesday, March 5th.

And yes, **Lent can be happy!**

Lent is a great opportunity for us to not only draw closer to God, but to bring order to our own lives. Closeness to God and order in our lives will bring happiness. As we begin to quiet our minds, bodies and souls in Lent, we begin to make ourselves more available to God's divine action in bringing us to the holiness that he desires for us.

The time of Lent, if applied well, has the benefit of bringing order and peace to our lives, which should continue when Lent is over. Also, the better we live our Lent, the better will be our experience of Easter! God has a glorious plan for you and has many gifts intended for you throughout the Lenten season. But they will not come or we will not recognize them if we are not applying ourselves.

In Lent, we do not have to torment ourselves. Yes, fasting and a number of physical mortifications are obviously wholesome and good, but the intent is to change us. To make us more like God, not giving in to our base pleasures, and to pursue God over this natural fallen world.

To aid us in this journey, Holy Mother Church does give us some very basic minimal requirements.

On Ash Wednesday (March 5th) and Good Friday (April 18th) we are to abstain from meat and fast. We are also to abstain from meat all of the Fridays of Lent. **Abstaining from meat means that we do not eat any meat, but we are permitted to eat fish.**

Fasting technically means that we eat only one meal in the day. If needed, however, the Church does permit up to two additional smaller meals to be taken as long as those two meals added together do not equal the size of the main meal.

Who must fast?

All Catholics who are 18 - 59 years old must fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. This means that if you are 17 or you are 60, you do not have to fast. Everyone from 18 to 59 must fast.

Who must abstain from meat?

All Catholics 14 years old and older must abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent.

These regulations are not options. They are mandatory. It can be a grave sin if these are willfully violated.

Compared to older fasting and abstinence laws in the Church, this is extremely easy. Anyone can do these things for one day.

The purpose is that we begin to deny ourselves some of the very basics of life. In doing this, we show to God that we put him above everything, including our very lives. God is all in all. The more we respect this and the more we simultaneously enter into his love, life becomes more and more rich.

If you have questions about anything, please let me know.

May God grant you a holy and rewarding Lent. I will be praying for this.

In the love of our Savior,

— *Father Nursey*

Prayers for Pope Francis

Bishop Walsh has asked that the Diocese of Gaylord unite themselves in prayer for our Holy Father, Pope Francis, during his hospitalization. Around the world, the faithful began on February 24 uniting themselves in saying a Rosary for Pope Francis' health. A public rosary is led by the cardinals in Rome each night at 9PM local time. Thus, it is fitting that we offer a rosary each day at 3PM EST. If you are not able to offer a rosary at 3PM, it is still encouraged that you offer one — privately or publicly — at another time of the day.

CRS Rice Bowls

The **Catholic Relief Services (CRS) Rice Bowl** is one way Catholics can enhance their Lenten fasting practice by giving up meals and donating the cost of those meals to Catholic Relief Services in order to help those who do not have enough to eat. CRS Rice Bowls are available in the vestibules of the church.

**God never tires of forgiving us;
we are the ones who tire
of seeking his mercy.**

Pope Francis

Palms and Easter Flowers

We have begun to plan and order palms for Palm Sunday and flowers for Easter. This year, we would like to increase the amount of palms and flowers we order. If you would like to donate towards their purchase, please mark your donation accordingly. Thank you in advance for helping glorify our Lord's houses.



Stewardship of Treasure

Thank you so very much
for your generosity of
talent and treasure.

It is truly appreciated!

St. Joseph of Onekama

February 23, 2025

Envelope Offertory	\$2833
Loose Offertory	\$374
Votive Candles	\$38
Building Fund	\$50
Mass Stipend	\$20
Total	\$3315
Cemetery	\$20

St. Raphael of Copemish

February 23, 2025

Envelope Offertory	\$854
Loose Offertory	\$877
Building Fund	\$3610
Mass Stipend	\$20
Donation	\$100
Total	\$5461