

January 29, 2012

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40 DAYS FOR LIFE™

THIS SPRING, from February 22 to April 1, our community is uniting with hundreds of other cities around the world for the largest and longest coordinated pro-life mobilization in history: the *40 Days for Life* campaign. Recognizing that "with God all things are possible," people of faith are praying that this effort will help bring an end to the tragedy of abortion.

40 Days for Life is a focused pro-life campaign that has already mobilized over 500,000 people worldwide, saved more than 5,000 lives from abortion, led to the conversion of 61 abortion workers, and seen 19 abortion facilities close. *40 Days for Life* is made up of three components:

- **Prayer and Fasting:** believers throughout our city are invited to join together for 40 days of fervent prayer and fasting for an end to abortion
- **Peaceful Vigil:** stand for life during a 40-day peaceful public witness outside the *Planned Parenthood*, 4201 W. Michigan Avenue.
- **Community Outreach:** help take a positive, upbeat pro-life message to every corner of our city through media efforts, advocacy, and public visibility

Learn how you can speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves here in *Kalamazoo* by contacting us at 269.254.9337 or 40dayskalamazoo@gmail.com or by visiting:

www.40daysforlife.com/kalamazoo

FEBRUARY 22
to APRIL 1



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

SATURDAY, January 28, 2012

5:30 pm Health of Rev. Lawrence Robotnik, req. Barbara & Nick Ostrosky

SUNDAY, January 29, 2012

8:45am † Violet DeYoung, req. Pat Dent

† Jennie Redmond (28th anniv.), req. Copeland Family

11:15am † Bob & † John Grantham (birthdays), req. Trudy Grantham

1:15pm *Para los feligreses de la parroquia*

MONDAY, January 30, 2012

8:30am Shirley Shane (birthday), req. Mary & Family

TUESDAY, January 31, 2012

8:30am † R. T. Hazard (anniv.)

7:00pm For the people of the parish

WEDNESDAY, February 1, 2012

8:30am Intentions of Our Holy Father Pope Benedict XVI

THURSDAY, February 2, 2012

6:30am † Dolores Starkey, req. Ron & Maribeth Huster

Intentions of Our Holy Father Pope Benedict XVI

FRIDAY, February 3, 2012

8:30am Health of Rev. Lawrence Robotnik, req. Barbara & Nick Ostrosky

Intentions of Our Holy Father Pope Benedict XVI

11:00am **Mass at Upjohn Community Care VCenter**

† Donald Gouin (10th anniv.)

SATURDAY, February 4, 2012

5:30 pm † Renee Coccimiglio (anniv.), req. Catarina Coccimiglio

Intentions of Our Holy Father Pope Benedict XVI

SUNDAY, February 5, 2012

8:45am For the people of the parish

11:15am Intentions of Our Holy Father Pope Benedict XVI

1:15pm † *Abrám Casárez (2nde aniv.)*, req. *Familia*

† *Jesús Rangel*, req. *Familia*

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: The following are remembered at each Mass. Please pray for them at home also. To add a name, get permission to publish their name, then call the rectory with your name, phone number, and name of person who is ill. **Let us know when a name can be removed!** Thank you.

Anna Lozano, Eunice Courtade, Jack Appelgren, Ashley Fox, Deb Yeary, Cailey Welch, Tim Lake, Alexis Phillips, Manuel Cordoba, Bob Edgar, Edith Breay, Lee Cruz, Patricia Rowe, Dana Winchester, Bob Wiedmayer, Jackie Saunders, John Vorva & family, Pat Coleman, Josephine Munn, Shannon Carow Schmidt, James Tokarski, Ben Vlug, Santos y Amada Medina, Ann Guerrero, Jarrett Theis, Joanie Polly, Susan Smyth, Jacob Williams, Elaine Boersma, Mary Carter, Ron Stickler, Barb Erdos, Bradford Baldwin, Jane Bis, David Campbell, Betty Carter, Jim Delach, Andy Hamilton, Rita Redmond, Mildred Ceru, Lupe Orta, Emilie Miletich, Mark Grantham, Tom Simon, Nancy McElhone, Melissa McElhone, Paul Kuzman, Jim Emery, Daniel Scobey, Dora Bunker, Eleanor Heikes, Peggy McCarty, Aaron Dwan, and Brad Clock.



Please bring in your old palms by Feb. 12, So we can use them for Ash Wednesday, Feb. 22.

Favor de traer sus palmas/ramos del año pasado para el 12 de febrero, para poder usarlas el **Miércoles de Ceniza**. Gracias.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday, January 29 / domingo, 29 de enero

8:30-10:00 am Little Hands Nursery, Rectory basement

9:30-11:30 am Coffee & Donuts, Gym

10:10-11:10 am Religious Ed. Classes, Bennett/Rochford

10:10-11:10 am Adult Bible Study, Convent meeting room

12-1:00 pm *Clases de Ed. religiosa bilingüe*, Bennett

2:30 pm *Café y Mas*, Gimnasio

2:30 pm *Clase de Bautismo*, Iglesia

3:00 pm *Formación de Adultos y Catequistas*, Gimnasio

5-7:00 pm Basketball, Gym

Monday, January 30 / lunes, 30 de enero

6:00 pm ESL clases, Bennett/Rochford

6:00 pm Girl Scouts, Rochford,

6:30 pm Rosary, Church

7:00 pm Lectors' Bible Study, Dining Room

7:00 pm Pilgrim's Progress, St. Joseph Room

Tuesday, January 31 / martes, 31 de enero

4:00 pm Visit of Ivan Dragicevic, Church

Wednesday, February 1 / miércoles, 1 de febrero

6:00 pm ESL clases, Bennett/Rochford

6:30 pm Youth Choir, Church

7:00 pm *Coro*, Spanish Youth Room

Thursday, February 2 / jueves, 2 de febrero

Friday, February 3 / viernes, 3 de febrero

6:00 pm N.A., St. Joseph Room

Saturday, February 4 / sábado, 4 de febrero

7:30 am Men's Fellowship Group, St. Joseph Room

8:00 am Bible Study, Dining Room

10:00-11:00 am Reconciliation, Church

Sunday, February 5 / domingo, 5 de febrero

8:30-10:00 am Little Hands Nursery, Rectory basement

9:30-11:30 am Coffee & Donuts, Gym

10:10-11:10 am Religious Ed. Classes, Bennett/Rochford

10:10-11:10 am Adult Bible Study, Convent meeting room

12-1:00 pm *Clases de Ed. religiosa bilingüe*, Bennett

2:30 pm *Café y Mas*, Gimnasio

3:00-5:00 pm High School Youth Group, Gym

4:00 pm Women's Spirituality Group, Dining Room

4:00 pm Cursillo: Ultreya Group, St. Joseph Room

5-7:00 pm Basketball, Gym

Preparación bautismal requerida para padres y padrinos que desean bautizar a su hijo/a, se ofrecerán, **el 12 de febrero, 2012** después de la misa. Es importante que presente el acta de nacimiento original del bebé en la rectoría, para sacar una copia y llenar un formulario. Llame al 343-6256 por información.



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PARISH SUPPORT-

APORTES A LA PARROQUIA

WEEK OF JANUARY 22, 2012		SEMANA DEL 22 DE ENERO, 2012
234 Envelopes	\$12,803.19	234 sobres
Loose cash	\$786.32	cheques y dinero en efectivo
	<u>\$13,589.51</u>	
Bishop Dominic's Ministries	\$1,020.00	La despensa de alimentos

THANK YOU—GRACIAS (May not reflect totals above.)

Bishop Domnic's Ministries received gifts from Kenneth & Karen Cyr, Paula & Mike Smith, Edward & Linda O'Reilly, and Lois Stermer.

Food Pantry received gifts from Pete & Maria Vanderploeg; and in memory of Joan Kramer from James & Jean Ellinger, Dotty Hudson, Dennis & Eileen Hays, Dorothy Withers, and Theodore & Vilma Zieke.

STEWARDSHIP: Moses told the people, "The Lord will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own kinsmen." God still provides among His people the gifts and talents necessary to continue the work of His Church. What gifts are yours to share?

CORRESPONSABILIDAD: Moisés le dijo a la gente: "el Señor hará surgir de entre ustedes y sus parientes, un profeta como yo". Dios todavía provee entre Su gente, los dones y talentos necesarios para continuar la obra de Su Iglesia. ¿Cuáles son sus dones para compartir?

The Three Churches Collection: Catholics can help support the Three Churches in Africa, Central and Eastern Europe, and Latin America by contributing to the second collection next weekend. This combined collection is for three separate national appeals. Funds from this collection assist the Church in Africa to provide pastoral support to its growing population, the Church in Central and Eastern Europe to continue to rebuild, and the Church in Latin America to address poverty and evangelization needs there. **Please give generously to this collection on February 4– 5.**

La colecta de las tres Iglesias: los católicos pueden ayudar a las tres iglesias: África, Europa central y del este, y Latinoamérica, contribuyendo en la segunda colecta del próximo fin de semana. Esta colecta combinada es para tres compañías nacionales separadas. Las donaciones para: la Iglesia en África, proveerán ayuda pastoral a su población que continúa aumentando; la Iglesia en Europa central y del este continuará la reconstrucción de la misma; la Iglesia de Latinoamérica cubrirá las necesidades de los pobres y evangelizadores que se encuentran allí. **Por favor sea generoso en esta colecta del 4-5 de febrero.**

Our Lady of Medjugorje

One of the visionaries of Medjugorje, Ivan Dragicevic, will be at our church on **Tuesday, January 31**, to pray the rosary and Mass with us. This day is also the 8th anniversary of the dedication of our renovated church.

You are encouraged to come to church and pray with Ivan.

Church doors open 4:00 pm
Confessions 4:30-6:00 pm
Rosary 6:00 pm
Mass: 7:00 pm
Ivan's Testimony 8:00 pm



Nuestra Señora de Medjugorje

Uno de los videntes de Medjugorje, Iván Dragicevic, estará en nuestra iglesia el **martes 31 de enero** para rezar el rosario y participar en la misa con nosotros.

Este día es también el 8vo. aniversario de la dedicación de la renovación de nuestra iglesia.

Los invitamos para que vengan a la iglesia y recen junto a Iván.

La iglesia se abre a las 4pm.
Confesiones de 4:30pm. a 6:00pm.
Rosario empezará a las 6:00pm.
La misa se celebra a las 7:00pm.
Testimonio de Iván es a las 8:00pm.

We will have additional parking available that day across the street at Edison School, at Miller Davis Co. at the corner of Lake & Portage, and Stockbridge United Methodist Church. All are welcome.

Tendremos estacionamiento adicional al frente de la calle Lake, en la escuela Edison, en Miller Davis Co. en la esquina de Lake y Portage y en Stockbridge United Methodist Church. Todos son bienvenidos.

FOOD PANTRY WISH LIST: macaroni and cheese, and plastic and paper bags
LA DESPENSA DE ALIMENTOS NECESITA: macarrón con queso y bolsas de papel y plástico

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS NOTICIAS DE EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA

Patty Haley, 343-6256, ex. 110, phaley@tds.net

All families with students preparing to receive Confirmation at either St. Joseph or St. Thomas More should have received information regarding our upcoming retreat. If you did not receive this information, please call Patty Haley to be sure that we have you on our list.

First Reconciliation services are planned for Feb. 10, (6:30 p.m. at St. Thomas More), Feb. 11 (11:00 a.m. at St. Joseph) and Monday Feb. 13 (6:00 p.m. St. Joseph) for all students preparing to receive the sacrament for the first time. Families should have received a request from the Religious Education office to confirm which service their student will be attending. Please fill it out and turn it in to either parish office or Rel. Ed. class as soon as possible.

Our "**Fill the Ark**" service project for Heifer International is moving into its last week. Ark banks should be turned in to teachers or the Religious Education Office on Sunday, February 5. Our students will vote on which animals to purchase AFTER banks are turned in and the money is counted. Please call Patty if you want to participate in this project or if you want more information regarding Heifer International.

Todas las familias que tienen hijos que son estudiantes y desean recibir el sacramento de la Confirmación, deberían haber recibido información sobre nuestro próximo retiro. Si usted no recibió ninguna información, por favor comuníquese con Patty Haley para estar seguro que lo tenemos en nuestra lista.

Los servicios para la primera confesión (reconciliación) están planeados para el 10 de febrero a las 6:30pm. en St. Thomas, el 11 de febrero a las 11:00am. y el 13 de febrero a las 6:00pm. en St. Joseph, para todos los estudiantes que se están preparando para recibir el sacramento por primera vez. Las familias deben haber recibido un pedido de la oficina de Educación religiosa para confirmar a qué servicio su hijo/a asistirá. Por favor, complete dicho pedido y entréguelo en la oficina de la iglesia o en la clase de educación religiosa lo antes posible.

Nuestro programa de ayuda en el proyecto: "**Edificar la Arca / Build the Ark**", está en la última semana, Las arcas se entregan a las maestras o en la oficina de educación religiosa el domingo 5 de febrero. Nuestros estudiantes votarán luego para seleccionar los animales que se comprarán DESPUES de que las arcas hayan sido entregadas y el dinero contado. Por favor llame a Patty si desea participar en el proyecto o desea más información sobre el programa de Heifer Internacional.

Remember: If the weather is bad on ANY Sunday morning and you think classes may be cancelled, please call the Religious Ed. Office. at 343-6256, x110 to check for cancelations. The message will be changed by 8AM to reflect the cancellation if it occurs.

Recuerde: Si las condiciones climáticas son malas CUALQUIER domingo por la mañana, llame a la oficina de educación religiosa al 343-6256, x110 para confirmar si las clases se han cancelado o no. El mensaje se podrá escuchar a partir de las 8AM y anunciará la cancelación.

Parents: Plan now!

St. Catherine of Siena Parish invites our 8th–12th graders and all interested parents to a presentation **on abstinence** by Pam Stenzel on Mon., Feb. 20, at 7pm at St. Catherine's Stanley Center (building in back of church parking lot). Parents of younger children will also find this talk very educational as they discuss sexuality and abstinence as their children get older. Ms. Stenzel will discuss the physical and emotional risks of having sex outside of marriage. The presentation should last about 90 minutes.

DVD Presentation: A Walk Through the Mass by Fr. John Fleckenstein, 7-9pm in the St. Joseph Room (rectory lower level).



Mon., Jan., 30 - Liturgy of the Eucharist

The DVDs and study guides are also available from the parish library (10-11am Sundays, or by appointment).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 2

Sun: 2 Sm 12:1-7a,10-17 Ps 51:12-17 Mk 4:35-41
Mon: 2 Sm 15:13-14,30;16:5-13 Ps 3:2-7 Mk 5;1-20
Tues: 2 Sm 18:9-10,14ab,24-25a,30-19:3 Ps 86:1-6 Mk 5:21-43
Wed: 2 Sm 24:2,9-17 Ps 32:1-2,5-17 Mk 6:1-6
Thurs: Mal 3;1-4 Ps 24:7-10 Heb 2:14-18 Lk 2:2040
Fri: Sir 47:2-11 Ps 18:31,47,50-51 Mk 6:14-29
Sat.: 1 Kgs 3:4-13 Ps 119:9-14 Mk 6:30-34
Sun: Jb 7:1-4,6-7 Ps 147:1-6 1 Cor 9:16-19,22-23 Mk 1:29-39

YOUTH MINISTRY: For more information, please contact: Molly & Jerry Mechtenberg-Berrigan, 381-8917 x 262, or SYG@sttomskazoo.org

Soon available: our winter/spring schedule. We usually meet in the Bennett Youth Room.

High School usually meets **Sundays, 6-8pm Feb. 5, 3–5 pm, St. Joe's (before the game!): Super Service on Super Bowl Sunday.** We will prepare snacks and other food for the ARK shelter, which offers housing to homeless and runaway teens. We need all hands on deck to help cook and clean! Please join us.

Middle School meets every other Mon., 6:30-8 pm **Feb. 6, 6:30–8 pm, Music and Me.** Join us as we take a look at music and the positive and negative messages different songs send.

PARISH PRAYER CHAIN: MARY MERO, 382-4102

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To register as a new parishioner , or with phone or address changes , call the parish office at 343-6256.		Para inscribirse como nuevo feligrés de la parroquia o cambiar su número de teléfono o domicilio , llame a la rectoría al 343-6256.	
For the Sacrament of Marriage, Anointing of the Sick , or a Declaration of Nullity , call Msgr. Mike.		Para recibir el Sacramento de Matrimonio, Unción a los Enfermos y Declaración de Nulidad matrimonial , llame a Monseñor Mike.	
For Baptism, Adult Confirmation, becoming Catholic, and Holy Communion to shut-ins , call Sr. Mary Catherine.		Para recibir el bautismo, la confirmación para adultos, hacerse católico o llevar Comunión a los enfermos , llame a la Hermana Mary Catherine.	
For Confirmation (Grades 8-12), call Patty Haley.		Para recibir la Confirmación (en grados 8 a 12), llame a Patty Haley.	
<i>Rooted in God's love, St. Joseph Parish takes as its mission to be a welcoming faith community that lives and shares the Gospel of Jesus Christ through prayer, formation, evangelization, fellowship, and service.</i>		<i>Arraigada en el amor de Dios, la parroquia de St. Joseph toma como su misión ser una comunidad de fe que da la bienvenida viviendo y compartiendo el Evangelio de Jesucristo a través de la oración, formación, evangelización, confraternidad y servicio.</i>	

40 Days for Life of Kalamazoo

Dear Friends of Life,

We are busy preparing for this Spring's 40 Days for Life campaign (Feb. 22 - April 1, 8am-8pm). Thank you so much in advance for your prayers and support. We are thrilled to have a large steering team, but each leader needs a team of helpers (people who don't want to lead a team but would like to help with smaller tasks). Many hands make light work - please pray about what God may be asking you to do!

Karen Camp & Malinda Frybarger, Co-coordinators
40 Days Kalamazoo Phone: 269-254-9337
40dayskalamazoo@gmail.com
<http://www.40daysforlife.com/kalamazoo>

Prayer Coordinator -- Call Geneva Crawford (269-929-2673) to help get more prayer volunteers for both the sidewalk and other locations.

Vigil Coordinator -- Call Brenda Sinkovitz (269-629-5565) if you can take a "shift captain" job (watch over one 2-hour vigil shift per week of the campaign).

Outreach Coordinator -- Call Jeselyn Basler (616-889-0245) if you can help deliver flyers, put up posters, etc.

Event Coordinator -- Heidi Heystek (260-547-9184) -- Call to help with setup, cleanup, decorations, greeters, etc., for Kickoff on Tues., Feb. 21, 7pm, midpoint rally (week of Mar. 12) and closing potluck (April 1).

Communications Coordinator -- Call Dave Marks (269-342-9815) if you could help with publicity, write letters to the editor, do phone calling, write thank yous, etc.

P.S. Mark your calendar for our Kickoff - Inspiration & Signup meeting on Tues. Feb. 21 at 7pm at First Assembly Church, 5550 Oakland Dr. (at I-94).

40 Días por la Vida es una campaña enfocada a Pro-Vida que ha generado resultados en más de 150 ciudades donde ha sido implementada. Algunas ciudades han reportado una disminución hasta del 28% en el número de abortos locales y, cientos de nuevas personas se han involucrado en esfuerzos y ministerios Pro-Vida. La campaña 40 Días por la vida está compuesta de tres partes:

Oración y Ayuno: Invitando a la gente de fe en la comunidad a reunirse durante 40 días en oración y ayuno para terminar con el aborto.

Vigilia Tranquila: En apoyo de la vida por un período de 40 días siendo testigo público en frente de Planned Parenthood, 4201 W. Michigan.

Educando a la Comunidad: Tomando un mensaje Pro-vida positivo y optimista en cada esquina de nuestra comunidad por medio de presentaciones eclesiales, medios masivos, peticiones, y visibilidad pública. Aprende cómo puedes ser la voz de esos pequeños que no tienen voz aquí en Kalamazoo. Llama al 269-254-9337 para más información, o visita <http://www.40daysforlife.com/kalamazoo>

Funeral Lunch Ministry!

We thank all who responded **YES** to our request for help! God bless you, every one! We could use a few more people, because many of our faithful contributors are snowbirds! We like to have enough people to cover the duties, so that the lunch can still be served when some workers are unavailable.

Call the rectory (343-6256) if you can:

1. Provide a dish for the funeral lunch.
2. Contact people who have volunteered to provide food to let them know when a funeral lunch is scheduled, and food is needed.
3. Set-up and serve: Set the tables and serve the food.

ELSEWHERE

HEALTHY LOVE: Introduction to Natural Family Planning, Wed., Feb. 1, 7pm, St. Monica Community Bldg. This presentation is directed to young couples preparing for marriage, and married couples wanting to know more about the teaching of the Church on marriage and family. It explains and provides background on the Church's teaching on marital intimacy, gives couples the facts that can help their relationship grow in the virtues needed for a successful marriage, and presents the scientific background to NFP.

25th Annual St. Mary's Super Bowl Sub Sale, Feb. 3-5. Turkey, Ham, Beef, and Salami/Bologna subs made FRESH DAILY, available with cheese on 6-inch wheat or white buns, for \$3.25 each. Available by advance order for pick-up; or purchase each day of the sale at St. Mary's Bart Hall (939 Charlotte Ave.). FREE DELIVERY for orders of 10 or more. To order or for more information, call Ann at 655-0048, Bev at 629-0170 or e mail to dddmazo@gmail.com.

Organ Recital, Friday, Feb. 10, 7pm at St. Augustine Cathedral. Thomas Fielding, DMus, will perform in concert, to raise funds to purchase new choir robes. There is no charge, but a free-will offering will be taken.

Jazzy Celebration: A Valentine's Concert, Friday, Feb. 10, 7:30pm, at Kalamazoo First Assembly, Portage, hosted by Kalamazoo Gospel Mission. featuring renowned flutist, Alexander Zonjic and Men of Grace. Advance tickets (\$15/person, \$25/couple), are available at the Mission (448 N. Burdick), or by calling 269-345-2974, ext. 205. \$20 at the door.

Peace House presents Energy, Climate Change, Denial and Social Justice, Thurs., Feb. 16, 7:30 pm at St. Thomas More, 421 Monroe St. Ron Kramer, WMU Professor of Sociology & Director of Criminal Justice Program, speaks on the social causes, conflict and solutions of global climate change. Contact peacehouse@tds.net or 492-1206 for more info.

Spaghetti Dinners: Bishop Alfred J. Markiewicz, Knights of Columbus, Council 1616, (219 W. Cedar St.) will serve delicious home-made spaghetti dinners Feb. 17, 5-7pm. Cost for adults remains at \$9.

43rd Annual Paczki Ball - Dinner and Dance, Sat., Feb. 18, 7pm-11pm, Sacred Heart Parish Hall, 201 S. Walnut St., Bangor. Polish Mass, 5pm, followed by Dinner and Dance (\$8 adults, \$5 children). Polish sausage, sauerkraut and kluski dinner (sloppy joes, sandwiches and drinks, too). Paczkis for dessert. Music by Polka Brothers; \$5 cover charge for dance.

Mid-life Singles (ages 35-50+): register today for a life-changing weekend retreat on March 9-11, 2012 at St. Francis Retreat Center, DeWitt, (10 miles north of Lansing). Cost: \$145 (meals, bedroom, and materials). For details, call (989) 450-0993, visit www.ReflectRetreat.com, or e-mail them at reflect.retreat@gmail.com.

Beginning Experience: (BE) will help those experiencing the death or divorce of a spouse through the grieving process, help them feel transformed and free again to love God, others, and themselves. The next weekend retreat is March 30-April 1. For more info, call Ruth at (616) 540-4709 or Doug at (616) 450-4997 or visit www.begrandrapids.org.

Foreclosure Prevention: Are you behind on your mortgage payments? Are you facing a potential home foreclosure? **Kalamazoo Neighborhood Housing Service** can help. They are a non-profit agency dedicated to promoting homeownership in the Kalamazoo area, offering free, in-depth foreclosure prevention and counseling services to any Kalamazoo area resident facing foreclosure. Counselors are experienced and certified to help you negotiate with your lender to find the best possible solution to your financial situation. ***LOAN MODIFICATION SCAM*** If you are seeking a loan modification, avoid accepting assistance from anyone who asks for a fee in advance, or instructs you to stop paying your mortgage company and pay them instead.

KNHS, Inc., Ph: (269) 385-0182
Email: Fcdept@knhs.org

HELP IN THE ECONOMIC DOWNTURN

Manufacturer coupons are available in the Bennett library Sundays, 10-11:15am. Call rectory for other times.

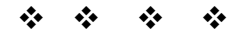


Community Homeworks provides low-cost emergency home repair and free home maintenance education for income-qualified (below \$49,900 per year for family of 4) residents of Kalamazoo County. (Residents making more than this amount are welcome, and a small donation is asked.) **Workshops are held 6-9pm at their office at 808 S. Westnedge** unless otherwise noted, and instruct students in basic home repair. Call 269-998-3275 for more information.



Edison School-Based Health Center (SBHC) provides students (of Edison and Washington Schools and their siblings from birth to age 17) with physical and mental health services, well-child visits, sports physicals, immunizations, treatment for illness, and ongoing care for children with asthma or diabetes. They work with patients who have a primary healthcare provider, and those who do not.

Clinic hours are Monday-Wednesday-Friday, 8am-5pm. You **must** fill out an application before you can make a clinic appointment. **No eligible child is denied service at the Edison SBHC because of inability to pay.**



Nazareth Assn. offers several \$1,000 scholarships to full-time junior or senior students (1) attending a Catholic college or university for 2012-13, (2) with a minimum of 3.0 cumulative GPA, and (3) demonstrated involvement in collegiate and/or community volunteer activities. Also, a \$1,000 scholarship is available to any full-time junior or senior enrolled in any accredited nursing program. Submit application, list of activities, official transcripts, essay of educational and career goals, 3 letters of recommendation **by March 15**. Visit www.nazarethassociation.org or call Priscilla Swiat at 269-492-4553 for more info.



Part-time job openings: Instructor for computer classes in Spanish, and ESL instructors. For details, visit www.vocesbc.org. Application deadline Feb. 3.

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