



Readings For Sunday, December 14, 2025

First Reading: *Isaiah 35:16a, 10*
Psalms: 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10
Second Reading: *James 5:7-10*
Gospel: *Matthew 11:2-11*

Advent
Mass Schedule & Offerings

Holy Day of Obligation

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Monday, December 8 ~Office Closed~
5 p.m. Mass ~ Adoration at 4p.m.
†Phyllis Kenyon (Jay Christian & Pat Huggler)

Tuesday, December 9
9:00 a.m. Mass ~ Adoration following
†Karen Rea (George LaBarge & Family)

Wednesday, December 10
5:00 p.m. Mass ~ Adoration from 9am – 5pm
†Rosemary Godfrey (Evelyn Steinke)

Thursday, December 11
9:00 a.m. Mass ~ Adoration at 8 a.m.
†Cecile Kortier (Family)

Third Sunday of Advent

Saturday, December 13
3:30 p.m. Rosary ~ 4:00 p.m. Mass – Hillman
†Jim & Ann Cronk (Bob & Rose Kenyon)

Sunday, December 14
8:30 a.m. Rosary ~ 9:00 a.m. Mass – Hillman
The People

2026 contribution envelopes are available for pick up. Please be sure to use the corresponding year as some families envelope numbers have changed for office recording purposes !

Standing In Need of Prayer

Claudette Colombo, Kevin Struzik, Myles Richardson, Chris Mutz, Dominic Tillman, Eric Tillman, Bonnie Benac, Sam Vicari, Margaret Barton, Brenda Sabol, Jack Stevens, Mary Ann Ferasin, Diane Marchlewski, Raelynn Burger, D.J. Normile, Justin Dahal, Patricia Plohocky, Caster Family, JanMarie, Jo Dusseau, Sandy Dubie, Emerick Dubie, Kendra Sherman, Jennifer Dubie, Christoffer Simpson, Jasmine Mouseau, Peggy Lange, Dennis Pietrykowski, Grace Franzoni, Dawn & Jagger Franzoni, Ben & Sandy Cassisi, Tammy (Nimf) Rygwelski, John Platevoet, Tina Montgomery, Pat Cronk, Geno Franzoni, John Schultz, Hailie Tondreau, Tammy Kelly, Scott VanPamel, Virginia Nash, Sophia Nash, Tyler Lockhart, Michele Klotz, Don Faulhaver, Judy Edmunds, David Lautner, John Minaudo, Janet Demeulenaere, Kay Lumsden, Brittany Campbell, Ruth Rabeau, Jane Hardies, Gary Witkowski, Ann Neuman, Baby Case Phillips, Don Vlodyka, Baby Malia Grace Thomas, Jean Hayka, Julie Bruski

Prayer Chain

Our prayer chain can be reached by calling or texting
Judy Elkie ~ 989-590-8411.

Prayers For Clergy & Religious

Sun: Rev. Christopher Jarvis
Mon: Deceased Priests
Tues: Rev. Liby Joy
Wed: Rev. John Ladd
Thurs: Rev. Scott Lawler
Fri: Rev. Basil Lek
Sat: Most Reverend Bishop Walsh

Stewardship

Weekend of November 29th & 30th

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| St. Augustine | |
| Envelopes (28) Online (5) | \$ 820.00 |
| Loose | \$ 370.00 |
| Building & Maintenance (1) Online (1) | \$ 40.00 |
| Mass Stipends | \$ 40.00 |
| Flower Fund | \$ 35.00 |
| Votive Candles | \$ 201.00 |
| Total | \$1,506.00 |

Cemetery \$.00

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| Jesus the Good Shepherd | |
| Envelopes (8) | \$ 335.00 |
| Total | \$ 335.00 |

2025 Advent Party

This Sunday, December 7th
after 9AM Mass
Hope to see you all there !



Father Siler will be available to hear confessions
Wednesday’s December 10th, 17th, and 24th from
10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the rectory.

CCW Meeting

December 9th at 10 a.m.

ALL LADIES INVITED

We will be planning our 2026 activities !

We would like to say a **BIG THANK YOU** to all the parishioners that donated food and paper or personal supplies to the pantry! Your generosity is greatly appreciated ! Now that it is well stocked, if you or someone you know needs any food or products, please call the office at 989-742-4542 to set up a pick-up time.

Thank you so much & God Bless you all !

Faith Formation children will be collecting **BINGO prizes** for the residents of MediLodge of Hillman. Items should be new and under \$5 that you might think a resident would enjoy. Some suggestions are soaps, socks, candy, or bird seed. Items can be dropped off in the box at the entrance of the church ! Thank you all !

Religious Retirement Special Collection

December 13th & 14th weekend.

A lifetime of service deserves care in return. “Thanks to your generosity, we can provide the very best care t the sisters in our community,” says Sister M. Stephanie. Donations to the Retirement Fund for Religious provide housing, medical assistance, and essential support for thousands of aging religious. Please consider giving next weekend. Envelopes can be found on the table in the entrance.

Unfailing Light

A simple psalm-prayer: "Father, creator of unfailing light, give that same light to those who call to you. May our lips praise you; our lives proclaim your goodness; our work give you honor, and our voices celebrate you forever."

God has blessed each of us with 1,440 minutes in every day, but research shows much of our time goes to sleeping, working and watching TV. Some say we spend 10% of our time each day to watching TV. How much time does God get?

Among those who consider themselves Catholic, many maintain that they are good Catholics because they have an active prayer life and a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. We must discover ways to remind ourselves that God is present in our daily lives. The deepest call of the human heart is to journey home to God. Prayer can show us the way. The Holy Spirit invites us, in the words of St. Paul, to "pray without ceasing." God is present to us 24 hours a day. It is our awareness of God that needs heightening. There is a saying in the *Upanishads*, the scripture of India: "If men and women thought as much about God as they think of the world, who would not attain liberation?"

In ancient times, every home had its shrine to the gods and goddess, small altar areas where sacred images were displayed. The typical home in these times has rooms for all the important activities in life, rooms for eating, sleeping, bathing, storage, etc. While our entire home is a sacred space where we pray and journey to God in different ways, a special place to pray with a Bible and a sacred image could remind us to pray often and help keep our focus on prayer.

During this Christmas season, the Advent wreath and the manger scene can be that sacred place, that teaching place for us and for our children. A place for the very young to learn about the loving Jesus who died for us. A place of reminder for the adults in the room that God so loved each one of us that he suffered and died for us, but first he came as a cooing baby like your child, or grandchild, or great grandchild.

Jesus said that God is a Spirit and should be worshiped in Spirit and Truth. As we stare into the candle flame, or the flickering lights on the Advent wreath, in silent prayer we seek to still the endless river of thoughts rushing through our minds, to find the center from which all thoughts arise, the center within, in which peace and the Divine Mystery reside. Amen, Amen and again Amen.

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| <p>This Box is open! Please call the office to rent! 989-742-4542</p> | <p>Royston General Store Evelyn Steinke 989-742-3342 21940 CO RD 451 Hillman, MI 49746</p> | <p>In loving memory of our most beloved grandson and husband, †Cameron & Rich Lange. Pray for them & all family members called home by our Lord & for those of us left behind to grieve.</p> |
| <p>This Box is open! Please call the office to rent! 989-742-4542</p> |  <p>Michael Fochtman Owner</p> <p>Fochtman CARQUEST 641 North State Street, Hillman, MI 49746 Phone: 989-742-4597 Fax: 989-742-3253 www.carquest.com</p> |  <p>ST. AUGUSTINE CHURCH C.C.W. Council of Catholic Women</p> <p>SPIRITUAL ADVISOR OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL</p> <p>We meet the 2nd Tuesday of each month to serve the Church & those in need! We welcome all women 18 and older who seek friendship, faith & charity for life! Child care provided as needed! Bake Sale 1st Sunday of each month for Foster Children!</p> |
|  <p>OUTDOOR WAY OF THE CROSS AND MARIAN MEDITATION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Entrance: Prepare Daily She walks in His Footsteps.4th Station: Reflect Jesus and His Mother meet.7th Station: Reflect She watches Him Fall again.12th Station: Reflect Her son, Jesus dies on the cross.Meditation Place: Consider the Mother of God, now our Mother and Mother of the Church— Our gift to her—to love her Son and walk this Path with Her.  |  <p>New Holland Woods - Bush Hog</p> <p>Don's Tractor & Equipment Sales Sales - Parts - Service 2516 M-32 West Alpena, MI 49707 (989) 356-6317 ^ FAX (989) 356-3023 Don, Deanna, Dean, Dennis & Tyler www.donstractorsales.com</p> <p>D's Honda Sales & Service 2516 M-32 W. Alpena, MI 49707</p> <p>Phone: 1-989-356-6317 Fax: 1-989-356-3023 Toll-Free: 1-877-248-8000</p> <p>Don Deanna Dean Dennis Tyler www.dshondasales.com</p> | <p>Surviving Divorce</p> <p>Hope & Healing for Catholic Families</p> <p>www.catholicdivorce.com rose@rosesweet.com 760-831-6238</p> |
| <p><u>The Four Main Principles of Our Order:</u> Charity ~ Unity Fraternity ~ Patriotism</p> | <p>Knights of Columbus James Cronk Council #8041 Grand Knight: Dave Hornbacher 989-884-2119</p>  | <p>Meetings 2nd Tuesday of the Month</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Fraternal 7:00p.m. Business</p> |

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*Second Sunday
of Advent*

December 7, 2025