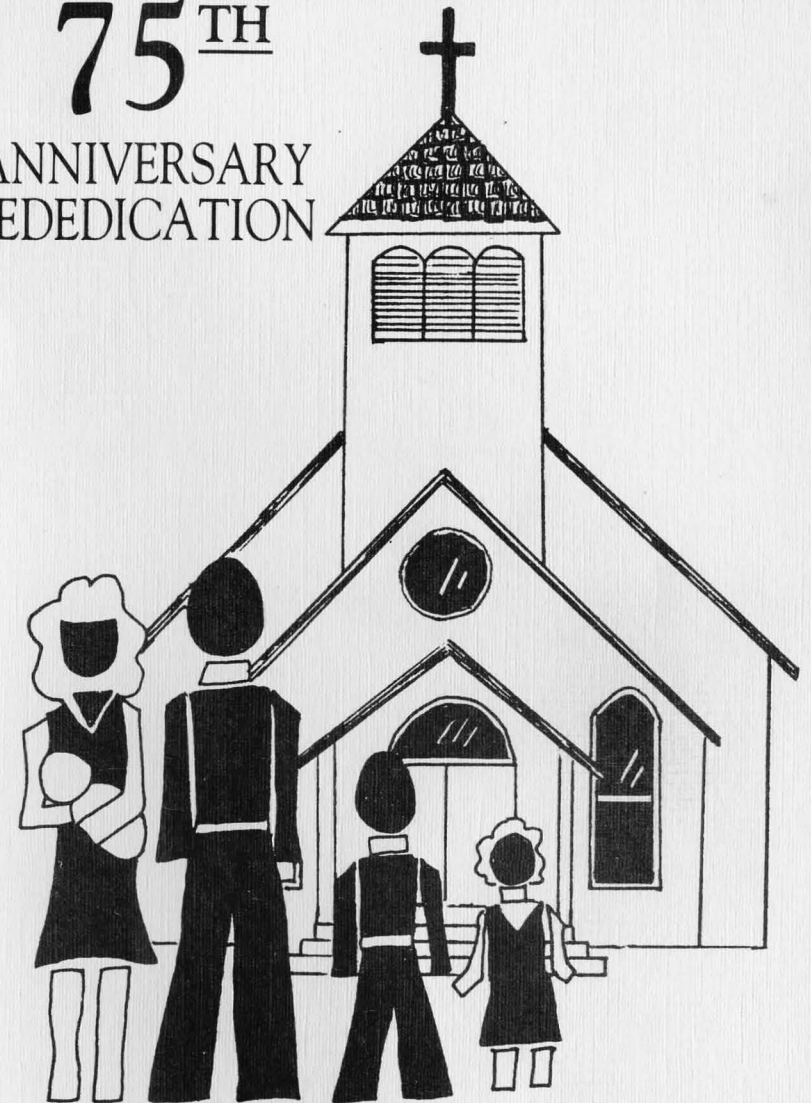


# ST. JOSEPH'S

RAPSON, MI.

## 75<sup>TH</sup>

ANNIVERSARY  
REDEDICATION



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PART I  
INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE INTO THE CHURCH

Procession  
(All assemble in the new church building.)

At the Threshold of the Building  
(Representatives of those involved in the planning and construction of the Church building hand over the building to the Bishop. After this is done, the Bishop asks the Pastor to open the doors.)

BLESSING OF THE RECONCILIATION ROOM

BLESSING OF THE ORGAN

(After the prayer, the Bishop invites the people to sing the Gathering Song.)

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

*Melody: HYMN TO JOY*

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| <p>1. Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,<br/>God of glory, Lord of love;<br/>Hearts unfold like flowers before thee,<br/>Praising thee, their sun above.<br/>Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;<br/>Drive the dark of doubt away;<br/>Giver of immortal gladness,<br/>Fill us with the light of day!</p> | <p>2. All thy works with joy surround thee,<br/>Earth and heaven reflect thy rays,<br/>Stars and angels sing around thee,<br/>Center of unbroken praise;<br/>Field and forest, vale and mountain,<br/>Blooming meadow, flashing sea,<br/>Chanting bird and flowing fountain<br/>Call us to rejoice in thee.</p> | <p>3. Thou art giving and forgiving,<br/>Ever blessing, ever blest,<br/>Wellspring of the joy of living<br/>Ocean-depth of happy rest.<br/>Thou our Father, Christ our brother, —<br/>All who live in love are thine;<br/>Teach us how to love each other,<br/>Lift us to the joy divine.</p> | <p>4. Mortals, join the mighty chorus,<br/>Which the morning stars began;<br/>Father-love is reigning o'er us,<br/>Human love, God's holy plan.<br/>Ever singing march we onward,<br/>Victors in the midst of strife;<br/>Joyful music lifts us sunward<br/>In the triumph song of life.</p> |
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Henry Van Dyke

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BLESSING AND SPRINKLING OF WATER  
 BLESSING OF THE PLACE FOR THE OILS  
 OPENING PRAYER

PART II  
 LITURGY OF THE WORD

(The Bishop moves to the Ambo and the Lector presents the Lectionary for all to see.)

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:7-9 (150)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps. 126/3



**The Lord | has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.**

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Second Reading: Hebrews 5:1-6

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Gospel Reading: Mark 10:46-52

Homily: Bishop Untener

General Intercessions:

PART III  
 PRAYER OF DEDICATION

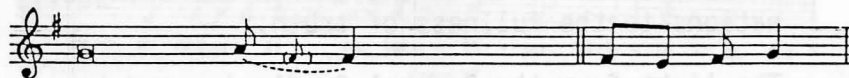
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Litany of the Saints

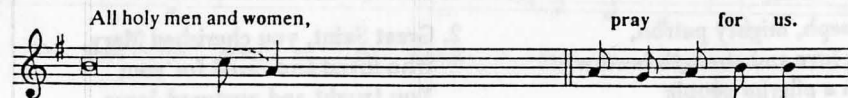
The litany is sung. All stand and answer.



Cantor:				All:			
1. Lord,	have	mer	- cy.	Lord,	have	mer	- cy.
2. Christ,	have	mer	- cy.	Christ,	have	mer	- cy.
3. Lord,	have	mer	- cy.	Lord,	have	mer	- cy.



Holy Mary, Mother of God,	pray	for	us.
Saint Michael,	pray	for	us.
Holy angels of God,	pray	for	us.
Saint John the Baptist,	pray	for	us.
Saint Joseph,	pray	for	us.
Saint Peter and Saint Paul,	pray	for	us.
Saint Andrew,	pray	for	us.
Saint John,	pray	for	us.
Saint Mary Magdalene,	pray	for	us.
Saint Stephen,	pray	for	us.
Saint Ignatius,	pray	for	us.
Saint Lawrence,	pray	for	us.
Saint Perpetua and Saint Felicity,	pray	for	us.
Saint Agnes,	pray	for	us.
Saint Gregory,	pray	for	us.
Saint Augustine,	pray	for	us.
Saint Athanasius,	pray	for	us.
Saint Basil,	pray	for	us.
Saint Martin,	pray	for	us.
Saint Benedict,	pray	for	us.
Saint Francis and Saint Dominic,	pray	for	us.
Saint Francis Xavier,	pray	for	us.
Saint John Vianney,	pray	for	us.
Saint Catherine,	pray	for	us.
Saint Teresa,	pray	for	us.



All holy men and women, pray for us.

Lord, be merciful, From all evil, From every sin, From everlasting death, By your coming as man, By your death and rising to new life, By your gift of the Holy Spirit,	Lord, save your people. Lord, save your people. Lord, save your people. Lord, save your people. Lord, save your people. Lord, save your people. Lord, save your people.
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Be merciful to us sinners, Lord, hear our prayer.



1. Christ, _____ hear us.	Christ, _____ hear us.
2. Lord Je - sus, hear our prayer.	Lord Je - sus, hear our prayer.

## B. Prayer of Dedication

(After the prayer, the Bishop incenses the people and the building.)

The altar is now prepared. When it is time to light the candles, a light is taken from the Paschal Candle as the Bishop prays: "Light of Christ, shine forth in the Church and bring all nations to the fullness of truth."

The light from the Paschal Candle is used to light the candles throughout the congregation as well as the altar candles.)

Pastor: Matthew 5:14-16

(After Fr. John completes the reading from Matthew, the candles are extinguished.)

### PART IV

## LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

### PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

## O Joseph, Mighty Patron Sister Marie Michael

Melody: *THE CHURCH'S ONE FOUNDATION*

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| <p>1. O Joseph, mighty patron,<br/>Your love and strength bestow<br/>Upon a pilgrim people<br/>Who are the Church below.<br/>You were the Father's image,<br/>Great prince of David's line;<br/>Obtain for us God's blessing<br/>That we may be his sign.</p> | <p>2. Great Saint, you cherished Mary,<br/>Who loved and cared for you;<br/>You taught and nurtured Jesus,<br/>O teach us to be true.<br/>True to the Church he founded,<br/>Until we form above<br/>A family united<br/>In bonds of lasting love.</p> |
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## EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

### Concluding Doxology

Bob Dufford, S.J.

3. A - men, al - le - lu - ia, for -  
ev - er and ev - er, for - ev - er, al - le - lu - ia, for -  
ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

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### THE LORD'S PRAYER (sung)

### COMMUNION

### Now We Remain

David Haas

#### REFRAIN

We hold the death of the Lord deep in our hearts.  
Li - ving; now we re - main with Je - sus the  
Christ. (To Verses)

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# BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Bishop: "The Lord of earth and heaven has assembled you before Him this day to dedicate this house of prayer. May He fill you with the blessings of heaven." AMEN

"God the Father wills that all His children scattered through the world become one family in His Son. May He make you His temple, the dwelling place of His Holy Spirit." AMEN

"May God free you from every bond of sin, dwell within you and give you joy. May you live with Him for ever in the company of all His saints." AMEN

"May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit." AMEN

*"Unless our thoughts  
and actions give the  
light of Christ*

*... we only  
increase  
the darkness."  
Mother Teresa  
of Calcutta*

## Recessional: *Glory and Praise to Our God* Daniel Schutte



Glo - ry and praise to our God, \_\_\_\_\_ Who a -



lone gives light to our days. \_\_\_\_\_



Man - y are the bless - ings He bears to



those who trust in His ways. \_\_\_\_\_

1. We, the daughters and sons of Him  
Who built the valleys and plains,  
Praise the wonders our God has done  
In ev'ry heart that sings.
2. In His wisdom He strengthens us  
Like gold that's tested in fire.  
Though the power of sin prevails,  
Our God is there to save.
3. Ev'ry moment of ev'ry day  
Our God is waiting to save,  
Always ready to seek the lost,  
To answer those who pray.
4. God has watered our barren land  
And spent His merciful rain.  
Now the rivers of life run full  
For anyone to drink.

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