

DINING OUT

Restaurants, churches offer Lenten dinner specials

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Fish fries present a perfect excuse to get out of the kitchen and treat the family to dinner. And, as the Lenten season approaches, menu choices are plentiful.

Check out a favorite eatery or pub, a neighborhood church, or a fraternal organization's meeting place. Here's a sampling of what's available:

Restaurants and pubs

Hope's Fish & Chips - 28370 Joy Road, between Middlebelt and Inkster Roads, Livonia, (734) 427-2130. Open: 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday; 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday; noon to 8 p.m. Sunday; closed Monday.

Plymouth Fish Seafood Market & Restaurant - 578 Starkweather, Old Village, Plymouth, (734) 455-2550. Open: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday-Saturday.

Page's Food & Spirits - 23621 Farmington Road, one block south of Grand River, Farmington, (248) 477-0099. Open: 11 a.m. to midnight Monday-Thursday; 11 a.m. to 2 a.m. Friday-Saturday; 1 p.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday.

Fox Hills Golf & Banquet Center - 8788 North Territorial Road, Plymouth, (734) 453-7272. Open: 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Friday.

Johnson's Family Restaurant - 42400 Ford Road, Canton, (734) 981-6877. Open: 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday.

Malarky's Irish Pub - 35750 W. Warren (on the north side of Warren between Central City Parkway and Wayne Road) serves fresh hand-battered cod with fries and cole slaw. Cost is \$6.95 on Fridays.

Plymouth Pub - 1507 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth Township offers fish fry on Fridays. Three-piece battered cod with fries and cole slaw after 4 p.m. A two-piece lunch is available before 4 p.m. Prices vary. Call (734) 453-6340.

All Area Big Boy Restaurants - offer an all-you-can-eat seafood buffet on Fridays through Lent. Buffet is \$9.95 for adults and \$6.95 for children under 10. Area Big Boy locations include:

- 29661 Plymouth Road, Livonia (just west of Farmington on the south side of Plymouth) Call (734) 425-5500.
- 37123 Six Mile Road, Livonia (just east of Newburgh). Call (734) 464-6670.
- 44681 W. Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth Township (west of Sheldon Road). Call (734) 455-8000.
- 28340 Ford Road, Garden City (Ford Road at Harrison). Call (734) 425-2360. Restaurant offers the buffet on Fridays and Saturdays through Lent.
- 20788 Farmington Road, Farmington (just north of Eight Mile Road). Call (248) 477-2690.
- 6360 N. Wayne Road, West land (at Hunter) Call (734) 595-1700.



Fish & Chips

Summit Gourmet - 46000 Summit Parkway (between Cherry Hills and Michigan Avenue, west of Canton Center Road), Canton Township, serves a pasta and fish buffet 4:30-7 p.m. Fridays. Call (734) 394-6488.

E.G. Nick's - 500 Forest Avenue in downtown Plymouth, serves fish and chips for \$10.95 (includes fries, soup and/or salad).

Bowery Grill and Pub - 41275 Ford Road, Canton, serves an all-you-can-eat fish and chips on Fridays. Call (734) 981-1313.

Nankin Mill Tavern - 33700 Ann Arbor Trail, just west of Farmington Road in Westland serves dinner beginning at 4 p.m. Call (734) 427-0822.

Churches

Unless otherwise noted, beginning Feb. 15, meals will be served at these locations on Fridays during Lent, including Good Friday, March 29.

St. Edith - 15089 Newburgh Road, Livonia, (734) 464-1222. Serving: 4:30-7:30 p.m.

St. Aidan - 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia (734) 426-5950. Serving: 5:30-7 p.m., excluding Good Friday.

St. Genevieve - 28016 Jamison, two blocks south of Five Mile Road, and two blocks east of Middlebelt Road, Livonia, (734) 261-6920. Serving: 5-7 p.m., Friday, Feb. 15 only.

St. Kenneth - 14951 Haggerty Rd., Plymouth Township, (734) 420-0288. Serving: 5:30-7:30 p.m.

St. Valentine - 25875 Hope, three blocks south of Five Mile Road, west of Beech Daly Road, Redford, (313) 532-4394.

Our Lady of Good Counsel Booster Clubs - host a fish fry dinner on Fridays during Lent: 5:30-7:30 p.m. in the church social hall, on the northwest corner of Beck and North Territorial roads in Plymouth Township, (734) 453-0326

St. Agatha Church - 19750

Beech Daly Road (between Grand River and Eight Mile Road), Redford Township, offers dinner on all Friday of Lent (including Good Friday). Dine-in or carryout.

Fraternal Organizations

Monaghan Knights of Columbus - 19801 Farmington Road, Livonia, (248) 476-8385. Open: 5-9 p.m. every Friday throughout the year.

Elks Lodge - 31117 Plymouth Road, one block east of Merriman Road, Livonia, (734) 425-2246. Open: 5:30-8 p.m.

If your restaurant, organization or church is not listed, send information to Keely Wygonik, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI. To fax (734) 691-7279 or e-mail kwygonik@ec.homecomm.net. Copy and paste information into an e-mail.

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