

St Joseph Co GOP Top 3 Issues for June 2026

Next Issues Committee meeting is July 14, Noon @ Royal cafe C-ville

1. IRAN CONFLICT There is no doubt this is a complicated situation. There are many aspects to consider.

1. Iranian Muslims do not have western thought. The West defines peace as the coexistence of different groups getting along. The Islamic world defines peace as when everyone is submitted to the will of Allah. (John Fetterman "What Every American Needs to Know About The Qur'an") Muslims also believe and practice Taqiyya which is a strategy of lying to non-muslims as laid out by Mohamed (brightworkresearch.com) Because of this, negotiations are difficult.

2. Although many in Iran want a regime change they have not risen to fight for that change. Reasons given for this are they are unarmed, the extreme violence against protesters, disagreement of what post-regime future should look like, fear of chaos and war.

3. The midterm elections are key to the continued positive changes in the U.S. Gas prices and concern for "Boots on the Ground" are concerns that can sway the vote in November.

4. The spiritual aspect of this conflict cannot be ignored. There are clearly forces behind this earth that are at war over this region. In the Bible, Iran is called Persia or Elam. There are many prophecies in the Bible concerning this area. It is well worth a Bible study.

So what should be our response. First, admit we do not know all the aspects of this situation and therefore cannot make a good judgement.

Second, pray for those who are directly involved. And pray for wisdom for our leadership not only for their words during this time, but also discernment of determining those giving them bad advice.

Third, "Trust the man in the room" We do not know all that is involved and for national security we shouldn't know everything. But we do know that President Trump has negotiated with other countries well to the benefit of our country.

Maryanne B.

2. Governor GOP candidate brief.

All the candidates are prolife, pro business, anti woke, Christians. All are very pro DJT. Here are short talking points of each from recent forum and websites.

Aric Nesbitt, farmer and state legislator. Wants to Eliminate state income tax and supports reduction/elimination of property tax. Favors tax credits for home schools, more emphasis on skilled trades training. Get all illegals out of the state. Repeal No-Fault auto insurance. End all woke gov policies.

Mike Cox, former state Attorney General, Son of First generation immigrants. End Mi income tax favors ending property taxes. Will push for more parental involvement in education choices and wants Charter/home-school tax credits. Will implement tax credits for small businesses. Will ban driver licenses for illegals, remove illegals from our state.

John James is a current US rep. Former Apache helicopter pilot
He will promote more local control in all areas of government, like municipal, township, school boards etc. Repeal Mi income tax, favors eliminating property tax. No strings tax credits for schools of choice, work against inappropriate sex ed in early grades especially 3rd grade and under, will focus on raising all math, science and reading skills well above current abysmal rankings nationally. Will repeal all woke and green new deal policies.

Perry Johnson, is a successful multimillionaire business owner. He has no previous government office experience and touts this aspect of his background. He will immediately institute his MEGA audit of the entire Michigan budget and departments. He will reduce spending by a minimum of 2% in his budgets. He is an efficiency expert and believes this uniquely qualifies him to be Gov.
Deb S.

3.Positive items/activities for us all to take part in celebrating US 250 anniversary.

June 2026

23-27	Sturgis	Sturgis Fest
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July 2026

10-12	White Pigeon	White Pigeon Days
17-19	Centreville	Centreville Bridge Days
23-26	Burr Oak	Burr Oak Heritage Festival

August 2026

5-8	Colon	Magic Get Together
17-19	Mendon	Mendon Riverfest

September 2026

11-12	Constantine	Constantine Harvest Festival
20-26	Centreville	St. Joseph County Grange Fair

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