

JUN 30, 2024

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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by being Christ
to the world.

NOTES FROM DEB

Follow-up – Quarterly Finance Presentation

After our last quarterly finance presentation some questions arose about the difference between our online donation options WeShare and ACH transfers.

WeShare is one option for donating to our operating fund or improvement fund, and you can also choose other funds such as St. Vincent de Paul, St. Ben's, the Food Pantry, Haiti, and memorials. You can even pay registration fees for our programs such as GIFT. This handy flexibility comes with a cost—WeShare deducts a portion of your gift (3.75%) to pay for the service; however, you can opt to pay this fee so your whole gift goes to OLOL.

The other online giving option is an ACH transfer. This service transfers money from your bank account to either our general operating fund or our improvement fund only on the 1st or 16th of the month. This service is free and administered by the Parish Office, but it does not have the same flexibility as WeShare. If you have questions about or need assistance with either of these options, please call the parish director of administrative services.

Feel free to use whichever service meets your needs, and please know of my gratitude for your sustained stewardship of the parish. It takes no small amount of funds to keep all our ministries going. Your faithful generosity helps us to continue to build God's kingdom through our prayer and outreach to our neighbors near and far.

Thank you!
Your shepherd,
Deb Steppe

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SAT 5:00 PM

SUN 8:00 AM | 10:30 AM

WED 9:30 AM

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FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Parish Support - June 2024

	ACTUAL <i>as of 6/21/2024</i>	BUDGETED <i>for June</i>
Reg. Envelopes.....	\$50,587.16	\$62,000.00
Offertory	\$1,994.34	\$2,400.00

Budget Updates Fiscal Year: June 2024

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED
Op. Income	\$914,748.30	\$888,200.00
Op. Expenses	\$849,711.39	\$888,143.30

Improvement Fund Updates

Beg. Balance 7/1/23 ..	\$128,528.08
Donations.....	\$40,050.81
Expenses.....	\$70.00
Balance (6/21/2024)	\$168,508.89

THANK YOU!

Our Lady of Lourdes is greatly blessed with your continued generous support of all our ministries!

CALENDAR

Sunday, June 30

Welcome Weekend	
Hall of Honor	
8:00 am Liturgy	Church
10:30 am Liturgy	Church

Monday, July 1

8:15 am Autism Intervention	Rm 3
8:15 am Autism Intervention	Rm 5
12:45 pm Autism Intervention	Rm 6

Tuesday, July 2

8:15 am Autism Intervention	Rm 3
8:15 am Autism Intervention	Rm 5

Wednesday, July 3

8:15 am Autism Intervention	Rm 3
8:15 am Autism Intervention	Rm 5
9:30 am Liturgy	Church
10:15 am Morning Faith Group	Hall BC
12:45 pm Autism Intervention	Rm 6
7:00 pm Liturgy Team Mtg.	Rm 9

Thursday, July 4—Office Closed



Friday, July 5—Office Closed

Saturday, July 6

11:00 am Walking Through Grief Together	Rm 3
5:00 pm Liturgy	Church

Sunday, July 7

8:00 am Liturgy	Church
10:30 am Liturgy	Church

COMMUNITY LIFE

In Memoriam

In loving memory of
Rita Dulak, Diane O'Donnell,
Bernie Stanley & Katie Crisp
From
Tanya Gross

In loving memory of
Katie Crisp & Linda Sieber
From
Nancie & Tom Chmielewski

In loving memory of
Rita Dulak
From
Sandy Nicolazzi
Kathy & Bruce Valentine
Gary & Doreen Weber
Tom & Kathy Weber
Susan Stachelski
John & Judy Monday
Julie Hetzel
Paul Nowicki

OUTREACH

From St. Vincent de Paul

In today's Gospel we see how in faith, Jarius asked Jesus to heal his daughter and how Jesus then answered his prayer. In prayer we also come to know that we are loved by God, and in that trust we ask for healing for ourselves, our loved ones and all those who are suffering.

This week, please join with the Society of St. Vincent de Paul in praying for the healing of all those who are ill and especially those who have no one to pray for them.

Upcoming Food Pantry Dates: July 16 and 30

Most needed items: canned meats, boxed potatoes, Hamburger Helper, and jelly. Thanks for your ongoing support to the pantry. It is because of you that we can provide food to the needy. God bless.

Please watch expiration dates.
ololmke.org/food-pantry.

VIRTUE OF THE WEEK

Forbearance

Forbearance is patience, fortitude, and acceptance under trying circumstances. We tolerate hardship with good grace. We are long-suffering in situations that we cannot control. We extend forgiveness and understanding to others, knowing that we all have flaws and frailties. We are forbearing with ourselves, humbly mindful of the times we fall short, ready to move forward to try again.

The beautiful stories of healing in the Gospel speak loudly of forbearance. Do you have examples of experiences of long suffering and the forbearance it took? Be sure to affirm and encourage the forbearance seen in that person!

SPOTLIGHT

Capuchin Community Services Special Appeal (St. Ben's Meal Program)

Capuchin Community Services, which runs the St. Ben's Meal Program, will be expanding services during the Republican National Convention (RNC) to include being a cooling center and offering overnight housing. The St. Ben's site borders the RNC security zone, and there is concern that the people St. Ben's serves may be negatively impacted by the increased security.

The Our Lady of Lourdes Social Justice Committee has pledged to help with the increased costs for St. Ben's and encourages OLOL members to do the same. You can help this important ministry by visiting the Capuchin Community Services website.

capuchincommunityservices.org/ways-to-help/donations
Social Justice Committee members will also be available after Masses July 6/7 if you have questions.

FORMATION

Is your child starting first grade this fall? Be ready for the sacraments of reconciliation and first Eucharist by enrolling in GIFT now.

To be eligible for sacrament preparation the Archdiocese of Milwaukee requires that children be in religious formation one year prior to the year of sacrament reception. If your child was in five-year-old kindergarten last school year, they need to participate in our formation program GIFT (Generations In Faith Together) during their first-grade year, so that they can celebrate the sacraments in second grade. GIFT begins Sunday, September 15. Be sure to enroll in GIFT now . ololmke.org/gift/

Contact Director of Child Ministry, Steve Szymanski, if you have any questions.

DISCIPLESHIP

A Disciple's Prayer for our Nation

Good and gracious God, you have promised to make all things new.
Restore peace where there has been hatred.
Reduce tension where there has been anger.
Rekindle friendship where there has been enmity.
Relieve suffering where there has been violence.
Recreate a united nation dear God, for the good of all people and for the peace of the world.
We ask this as disciples of Jesus Christ, who is our true freedom.
Amen!

Behold how good and how pleasant it is when people come together and dwell in unity!
(Psalm 133:1)



WORSHIP

Generosity

In today's Second Reading, Saint Paul addresses the practice of generosity. It is not enough, he says, to excel in faith, discourse, knowledge, earnestness, and love. You must also excel in being gracious. Saint Paul puts forth a vision of community where people with abundance provide for the needs of those who have less. Jesus provides the model for excelling in generosity. We too are asked to use our time, talents, and treasures in service of others. We are called to care for the most vulnerable among us through tangible actions.

Who might God be calling you to excel in generosity toward these days?

Excerpted from *Living Liturgy 2024*

Scripture Readings for July 6/7 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ezekiel 2:2-5 | Psalm 123 | 2 Corinthians 12:7-10 | Mark 6:1-6

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