

AUG 25, 2024

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Catholic Church

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the kingdom of God
by being Christ
to the world.

NOTES FROM DEB

Picnic!

Our parish kick-off picnic is two weeks away! I am so excited about this opportunity to have some fun together as a parish family!

We will gather on September 7 from 1:30 pm until the beginning of our first 4:00 pm liturgy. Lunch will be Rupena's pulled pork sliders, coleslaw, and hot dogs. We'll have games and crafts for kids, as well as an art project that we will all create that will later be displayed in church. Our featured ministries will be the Art Guild, the Garden Committee, and Music Ministry.

As with every family gathering, we could use some help with donations, serving food, helping with craft projects, and cleaning up. If you would like to take this opportunity to minister to one another, the bulletin board in the Lobby has lots of ideas.

Our parish is blessed with wonderful, funny, loving people. This picnic is an opportunity to get to know some new folks as well as an opportunity to strengthen the connections we have already made.

I hope to see you all there!

Your shepherd,
Deb Steppe

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EUCCHARIST:

SAT 5:00 PM

SUN 8:00 AM | 10:30 AM

WED 9:30 AM

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FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Parish Support - August 2024

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED
	as of 8/16/2024 for August	
Reg. Envelopes.....	\$41,190.72	\$43,611.11
Offertory	\$1,561.32	\$1,666.66

Budget Updates Fiscal Year: August 2024

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED
Op. Income	\$100,420.05	\$99,509.70
Op. Expenses	\$107,262.62	\$147,338.80

Improvement Fund Updates

Beg. Balance 7/1/24..	\$169,666.89
Donations.....	\$3,215.88
Expenses.....	\$00.00
Balance (8/16/2024)	\$172,882.77

THANK YOU!

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

CALENDAR

Sunday, August 25

8:00 am Liturgy (Abert)	Church
10:30 am Liturgy (Lewis) (Baptism)	Church

Monday, August 26

8:15 am Autism Intervention	Rm 3
8:15 am Autism Intervention	Rm 5
12:45 pm Autism Intervention	Rm 6
1:00 pm Sheepshead Group	Rm 10

Tuesday, August 27

8:15 am Autism Intervention	Rm 3
8:15 am Autism Intervention	Rm 5
1:00 pm Art Guild Mtg.	Rm 4
3:00 pm Food Pantry	Rm 7

Wednesday, August 28

8:15 am Autism Intervention	Rm 3
8:15 am Autism Intervention	Rm 5
9:30 am Communion Service	Church
10:15 am Morning Faith Group	Hall C
12:45 pm Autism Intervention	Rm 6
6:00 pm Kick-off Choir Reh.	Church
6:30 pm The Chosen	Virtual
6:30 pm GIFT Core Team	Rm 10
7:00 pm Oktoberfest Mtg.	Rm 3

Thursday, August 29

8:15 am Autism Intervention	Rm 3
8:15 am Autism Intervention	Rm 5
12:45 pm Autism Intervention	Rm 6
6:30 am The Chosen	Hall C

Friday, August 30—Office Closed

Saturday, August 31

5:00 pm Liturgy (Jurkus)	Church
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Sunday, September 1

8:00 am Liturgy (Cooper)	Church
10:30 am Liturgy (Lewis)	Church

COMMUNITY LIFE

In Memoriam

In loving memory of
Kathleen O'Hara
From
Anonymous

In loving memory of
Carol Milkie
From
Mark & Susan Van Rixel

In loving memory of
Marion Wojtkowski
From
Mary Larson

Oktoberfest Meeting

Wednesday, August 28

7:00 pm

Room 3

Topic: Publicity push

It is time to invite neighbors, other parishes and communities.

OUTREACH

Upcoming Food Pantry Dates: August 27, September 10 and 24

Most needed items: canned vegetables (all varieties), creamed soups, condiments (please no yellow mustard), creamy peanut butter, and mac and cheese. 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

All Saints Summer Meal Program

The Social Justice Committee wants to thank the 13 enthusiastic disciples who volunteered at the All Saints Church meal program this summer. Several volunteers served two or three evenings. Their help was much appreciated by the All Saints organizers who look forward to our participation again in 2025. All Saints serves folks in the poorest Milwaukee zip code areas.

CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING

All three readings today challenge us to higher standards of human interactions.

Joshua asks us to "decide today whom you will serve." In Ephesians, we are told to "be subordinate to one another" and to "live in love, as Christ loved us." In the Gospel, Jesus challenges his followers, and many leave. He then questions his disciples "Do you also want to leave?"

These are hard hitting readings that remind us that our faith is not a ticket to a life of ease. On the contrary, following God means sacrificing one's pride, wealth, and comfort for the good of others.

In what concrete way will you seek the discomfort of the higher standards of your faith this week?

Baptisms

We welcome the following
into our faith community
through the waters of baptism:

Ariah Emelia Valdez

SPOTLIGHT

Lay Leaders of Prayer: A Workshop Series

Thursdays, September 12, 19, and October 3
1:00 pm–3:00 pm
Saint Joseph Hall - School Sisters of Saint Francis
Presenter: Dr. Steven Janco

Lay leaders are often called upon to lead public prayer in their parish communities when a priest or deacon is not available. Join us for this long-anticipated workshop series where we'll answer all of these practical questions, as well as appropriately equip you how to:

- Lead prayer when a priest or deacon is unavailable, or authorized by the pastor to do so.
- Prepare to lead public prayer.
- Share a brief reflection.
- Prepare prayer for meetings, and ministry gatherings.
- Compose intercessory prayers and litanies.
- And more!

Cost: \$30.00

All materials, snacks, and beverages are included.

For registration and detailed information go to archmil.regfox.com/lay-leaders-of-prayer-a-workshop-series

Registration Deadline: Monday, September 9.

Space is limited! Register soon!

FORMATION

GIFT Sign-Up is Open

Registration for our intergenerational religious formation program GIFT (Generations In Faith Together) is open on the website, ololmke.org/gift. Our theme for the year is "Prayer, Hope & Justice." GIFT is open to our entire OLOL family. Our first session will be Sunday, September 15, when Mike Kolz, a theology and scripture teacher at Catholic Memorial High School, will present on the topic Hope and Prayer lead us to Justice. Please join us for GIFT this fall.

Summer Service Opportunity

If you are in confirmation and are looking to get a head start on your service hours, look no further! Contact Maggie to learn how you can celebrate and help your faith community at our third annual kickoff event on Saturday, September 7.

DISCIPLESHIP

Faith & Theology—A Conversation

Tuesdays: September 10, 24, October 1, 22, November 5, and 19
6:30 pm
Room 10
Facilitated by: Karen Streich

We all know the Nicene Creed and have recited it many times, but do we truly understand it and the impact it has on our lives as disciples of Christ? This gathering is designed to address just that!

These meetings will be relaxed and conversational. There will be nothing to read ahead of time and the only math involved will be discussing the Trinity and the Seven Sacraments! We will break open the Nicene Creed, from the first word "I" to the closing "Amen!". In between we will discuss everything from God, creation, evolution, Jesus, salvation, afterlife and so much more. Join us for one, two or all six sessions. The Holy Spirit and the group will lead the discussion.

Register on the Discipleship Institute web page at ololmke.org/discipleship-institute/ or through the Parish Office.

WORSHIP



IT'S HERE! Kick-off Choir meets this week!

Kids, bring your parents. Parents, bring your kids. Friends, bring your friends. Please join us in leading the music at the Saturday, 4:00 pm Mass on kick-off weekend. **All are welcome!** Just show up to the following rehearsals and Mass times:

Rehearsals: Wednesdays, August 28, and
 September 4, 6:00 pm–7:15 pm
Mass: Saturday, September 7, 4:00 pm
 (meet in church at 3:30 pm)

Scripture Readings for August 31/September 1 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8 | Psalm 15 |
James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27 | Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

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BLOOD DRIVE

Fall Into Giving

GIVE THE GIFT OF BLOOD THIS FALL

OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISH BLOOD DRIVE!

Tuesday
September 17
2:00 pm – 6:00 pm



LOCATION: Church Hall
3722 S 58th Street
Milwaukee, WI 53220

DONATE & RECEIVE: Rush in to donate and be entered for a chance to win 2 tickets and a VIP experience* to your favorite hometown football team.

MAKE YOUR APPOINTMENT: Appointments are highly encouraged. Secure your spot by visiting the link below, scan the QR code, or call 877.232.4376:


tinyurl.com/ourlady91724

See the banner below for information on scheduling an appointment on or after September 13th

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Our Lady of Lourdes Bring All of You Fun Events!

Kick-off picnic:

Food, fun, art, and music

Saturday, September 7

1:30 pm–4:00 pm

New Year's Eve Potluck

Tuesday, December 31

5:00 pm

Community Event

GIFT Session and Mass

Sunday, May 4

9:00 am

