

SEP 8, 2024

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Our Lady of Lourdes

Catholic Church

... a pilgrim church
coming to know
the kingdom of God
by being Christ
to the world.

NOTES FROM DEB

Membership has its privileges!

It is most gratifying to have so many visitors joining us at Mass. Whether they are visiting from other states, other countries (!!!), or other parishes in the area, people are being fed while worshipping with us. That says a lot about our liturgy, music, preaching, and the welcoming attitudes of all our parishioners.

Included in that group are folks who are members of other parishes, but for a variety of reasons, feel more comfortable at Our Lady of Lourdes. It's not always easy leaving a parish that has been "home" to try somewhere new. The steps away from a beloved parish are tender. Please know that you have my utmost respect.

If you have been attending Mass here and are ready, I invite you to join the parish. Membership has its privileges—it really does! Becoming a member gives you access to all our communications, it helps us plan for events and outreach, it lets you know what is happening in the parish, and it helps us in budgeting.

If you would like to become a member, please see the home page of our website or stop by the Parish Office.

Your shepherd,
Deb Steppe

STAFF EMAIL

Julie Fraleigh (Music Ministry Assoc.)
fraleighj@ololmke.org

Paul Kuenzi (Maintenance)
kuenzip@ololmke.org

Ken Marshman (Maintenance)
marshmank@ololmke.org

Julie Petri (Admin. Asst.)
petrij@ololmke.org

Marc Puechner (Communications)
puechnerm@ololmke.org

Cindi Roark (Finance)
roarkc@ololmke.org

Maggie Russell (Formation Ministry)
russellm@ololmke.org

Nancy Short (Liturgy Asst.)
shortn@ololmke.org

Deb Steppe (Parish Director)
stepped@ololmke.org

Steve Szymanski (Child Ministry)
szymanskis@ololmke.org

Anne Van Deusen (Music Ministry)
vandeusena@ololmke.org

Maryrose Wolf (Administration)
wolfm@ololmke.org

3722 S. 58th Street | Milwaukee, WI 53220-2053 | (414) 545-4316

EUCCHARIST:

SAT 4:00 PM

SUN 8:00 AM | 10:30 AM

WED 9:30 AM

PARISH DIRECTOR

DEB STEPPE

Office: (414) 545-4316 x113

CONNECT:

WEBSITE ololmke.org

EMAIL office@ololmke.org

FACEBOOK /ololmke

INSTAGRAM /ololmke

YOUTUBE @ololmke

JOIN THE PARISH: ololmke.org/become-a-member



FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Parish Support - August 2024

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED
	<i>as of 8/23/2024 for August</i>	
Reg. Envelopes.....	\$62,709.88	\$43,611.11
Offertory	\$2,286.10	\$1,666.66

Budget Updates Fiscal Year: August 2024

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED
Op. Income	\$126,278.93	\$99,509.70
Op. Expenses	\$114,275.15	\$147,338.80

Improvement Fund Updates

Beg. Balance 7/1/24..	\$169,666.89
Donations.....	\$4,327.88
Expenses.....	\$00.00
Balance (8/23/2024)	\$173,994.77

THANK YOU!

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

CALENDAR

Sunday, September 8

8:00 am Liturgy (Burkert)	Church
10:30 am Liturgy (Jurkus)	Church
11:30 am Environment Change	Church

Monday, September 9

8:15 am Autism Intervention	Rm 5
8:15 am Autism Intervention	Rm 6
1:00 pm Sheepshead Group	Rm 10
6:30 pm Building & Grounds	Rm 3

Tuesday, September 10

8:15 am Autism Intervention	Rm 5
8:15 am Autism Intervention	Rm 6
1:00 pm Art Guild	
Open Studio	Rm 4
3:00 pm Food Pantry	Rm 7
6:30 pm Faith Theology: A Conversation	Rm 10

Wednesday, September 11

7:00 pm St. Ben's Meal Prep	Kitchen
8:15 am Autism Intervention	Rm 5
8:15 am Autism Intervention	Rm 6
9:30 am Communion Service	Church
10:15 am Morning Faith Group	Hall C
6:30 pm Women's Spirituality	Rm 7
6:30 pm The Chosen	Virtual
7:00 pm GASIC	Virtual
7:00 pm Oktoberfest Mtg.	Rm 3

Thursday, September 12

8:15 am Autism Intervention	Rm 5
8:15 am Autism Intervention	Rm 6
3:30 pm Spirit & Grace Choir	Church
6:30 pm Social Justice Cmte.	Rm 3
6:30 pm The Chosen	Hall C
6:30 pm OCIA Info Session	Virtual

Friday, September 13—Office Closed

Saturday, September 14

4:00 pm Liturgy (Suriano)	Church
---------------------------	--------

Sunday, September 15

8:00 am Liturgy (Aufdermauer)	Church
9:00 am GIFT	Hall
10:30 am Liturgy (Aufdermauer)	Church

COMMUNITY LIFE

Wedding Banns

Il Jena Zastrow & Mason Mueller

Parish Guide Book and Directory

The 2024 Parish Guide Book and Directory is on its way to your home! Copies are printed and in the process of being mailed out. Keep an eye out for these valuable resources that tell you all about the various ministries OLOL provides and ways for you to minister to your church community and the community abroad.

If you do not receive your book in the mail within the next couple of weeks, please contact the Parish Office.

OUTREACH

St. Ben's Meal Program

We serve at St. Benedict the Moor's meal program on Wednesday, September 11. Please bring food donations to the Parish Office on Monday, Tuesday, or no later than 3:00 pm on Wednesday. ololmke.org/st-bens/

Blood Drive

Tuesday, September 17
2:00 pm–6:00 pm
Sign-up for our next blood drive after all Masses or online at ololmke.org/blood-drives. Every person who donates will be entered for a chance to win two Green Bay Packers tickets along with a VIP experience and will receive a coupon for a pint of custard from Culver's. "Give a pint; Get a pint!"
Thank you in advance for your life-saving donation.

VIRTUE OF THE WEEK

Openness

Openness is being honest; clear and sincere; and sharing who we are and what we feel without pretense. It is the willingness to consider new ideas and listen to others with an open mind. We hold no hidden agendas. We are more interested in connecting than controlling. When we are open, we are receptive to the blessings and surprises of life.

Imagine the joy of the man as Jesus opened his ears and he could finally speak. How do you use the gift of openness to grow and to help others?

SPOTLIGHT

Unsung Disciples: Faith Sharing Group

This group is led by Judy Monday. She started this in 2004, at the request of a parishioner. It started as a Bible study and over time has morphed into a book group. The group meets every other Tuesday, from September through November, and then January through May.

Here's a small list of some of the incredible authors we have read: Joan Chittester, William Paul Young, Greg Boyle, James Martin, just to name a few.

Why? Sharing of faith is infectious! We are all on a faith journey and this is one way to enhance, question and grow in that journey. Learning, challenging, and discovering amazing insight is just another part of what happens.

Come Forth, by Fr. James Martin, is the next book, which the group started Tuesday, September 3.

If you have any questions or trouble getting this book, just email Judy Monday at judy monday@wi.rr.com. They are looking forward to meeting new members!

FORMATION

GIFT Begins Next Sunday

Registration for our formation program GIFT, Generations In Faith Together, has been open for a few weeks now. You can register on our website at ololmke.org/gift. The first GIFT session will be Sunday, September 15.

GIFT September 15: Hope and Prayer lead us to Justice with Mike Kolz

Hope is the power to want something that is positive and lifegiving. Prayer is the power to keep hope alive. Justice is the outcome of hope prayed for. In other words, hope is the initiator, prayer is the sustainer, and justice is the will of God for God's hope filled prayerful people. One who is filled with hope and prays is destined to find justice. We will examine the concepts of "Hope and Prayer as a means to live a Just life." Join Mike Kolz of Catholic Memorial High School at our first GIFT session on Sunday, September 15, at 9:00 am in the Hall.

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

**"Love cannot remain by itself — it has no meaning. Love has to be put into action and that action is service."
Mother Teresa**

We all know how to love, and we all have the ability to serve others. The Liturgy and Music departments can always use your help to make our services flow smoothly. Here are just some of the positions available to you:

Music Ministers—vocalists & instrumentalists

Lectors—proclaim the Word

Servers—assist our priests during Mass

Sacristans—prepare the worship space before and after Mass

Ushers—greet our parishioners and guests

A/V Ministers—operate the camera and slides

Counters—keep track of attendance

Communion Ministers—distribute bread and wine

All ages are encouraged to explore the possibilities and get involved. We'd love to share the joy of service with you!

Scripture Readings for September 14/15 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 50:5-9a | Psalm 116 | James 2:14-18 | Mark 8:27-35

YOUR ONE STOP AUTO REPAIR SHOP
DAVE'S GARAGE
 Transmissions
 Tune-Up
 Brakes • A/C
 Alignment - Engines-Repair/Rebuild
 Brakes & Computer Diagnostics
 Maintenance Service
 5454 W. Forest Home Ave.
 321-5450

Kathy's Shade Shop Full line of Custom Window Treatments
 Professional Installation & Repairs
 9034 W. National Ave • West Allis, WI 53227
 414-321-1850 • www.kathysshadeshop.com

RAY'S BUTCHER SHOPPE
 SUNDAY SPECIAL
 6 ROLLS FREE WITH THE PURCHASE OF 1 # HOT HAM
 4640 W. Loomis Rd., Greenfield 423-1322

SUPPORT OUR PARISH

HENRY P. FONS
Attorney At Law
 Estate Planning
 Wills • Probate • Trusts
 Real Estate • General Practice
 Personal Injury
 7115 W. Forest Home Ave.
 414-327-2323

LET'S GROW YOUR BUSINESS
 Place Your Ad Here and Support Our Parish!
CONTACT ME Chris Duncan
 cduncan@4LPi.com • (800) 950-9952 x2154

ANCHOR PRINTING, INC.
 For ALL Your PRINTING NEEDS!
 Mon. - Fri. 9-5
 Sat. Eves. By Appt.
 (414) 321-9421 **15% OFF Your First Order**
 6211 W. Forest Home Ave. • Milwaukee, WI 53220

BRUSKIEWITZ FUNERAL HOME
 Bruskiwicz Family Owned and Operated
 Dan Bruskiwicz, Director
 5355 W. Forest Home Ave.
 414-321-1700 ForestHomeFunerals.com

Advance Overhead Door, Inc.
 Providing Quality Service, Repairs & Installation for over 28 Years
 Prompt Service on All Makes & Models of Garage Doors & Openers
 414-321-0500
 6510 W Forest Home Ave
 www.advohd.com
 We are also a proud member of the Better Business Bureau (A+ Rating)

LANDOLT SERVICE, INC.
 414-321-7000
 www.landoltservice.com
HEATING & A/C
 We Service Most Makes and Models
 Quality Service Since 1977
 bryant Factory Authorized Dealer
WHATEVER IT TAKES!
 Parish Supporter www.landoltservice.com

TROUBLE HEARING? LET US HELP!
 Free Hearing Test by a Licensed Hearing Specialist
 Call Now - 414-533-0036 or visit bswhearing.com
 B. S. Wisniewski Hearing Centers, 60th & Coldspring
 Parishioner Discounts • Catholic owned • Call Today
 Jordan Wisniewski HIS

Discount LIQUOR INC.
 Beer - Soda - Wine - Liquor
 Daily 9 - 9 • Sunday 10 - 2
 5031 W. Oklahoma 545-2175
 WWW.DISCOUNTLIQUORINC.COM

SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS!

MAX A. SASS & SONS
 FUNERAL AND CREMATION SERVICE
 Pre-Need Lunch & Learn Seminars Held Monthly
 Call 414-649-1739 for more info
 www.maxsass.com

Gene Wagner PLUMBING CO., INC.
 A COMPANY YOU CAN TRUST
 414-541-9217
 www.genewagnerplumbing.com

Compliments of
Zaganczyk Family
 Parish Members Since 1964

WE APPRECIATE OUR ADVERTISERS!

NORTHERN GEAR
 TURN • MILL • HOB
 BROACH • GRIND • ASSEMBLY
 IMMEDIATE OPENINGS:
 CNC Machinists - All Shifts
 W160S6609 Commerce Drive
 Muskego, WI 53150
 Northern Gear & Machining is located off of Moorland Road between Janesville Road and College Avenue.
 HOW TO APPLY
 Apply online at:
 www.northerngear.com
 under "Join Our Team"

AM Accounting and Tax Services LLC
ALICE ZAGANCZYK
 CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT
 INDIVIDUAL AND BUSINESS TAX RETURN PREPARATION
 Starting at \$100
 1123 N Water St. Ste 300 Milwaukee, WI 53202
 414-231-9138
 www.amaccountingonline.com

DOES YOUR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION NEED A NEWSLETTER?
 Engaging, ad-supported print and digital newsletters to reach your community.
 Visit lpicommunities.com
 OUR COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER
 DECEMBER EDITION
 Scan to contact us!

SHORT STAFFED?
 Place an ad here to find new local talent for your business.
 CALL 800-950-9952

WE'RE HIRING!
 AD SALES EXECUTIVES
 BE YOURSELF. BRING YOUR PASSION. WORK WITH PURPOSE.
 • Paid training
 • Some travel
 • Work-life balance
 • Full-Time with benefits
 • Serve your community
 Contact us at careers@4lpi.com or www.4lpi.com/careers

Schaff Funeral Home
 Family Owned & Operated
 5920 W. Lincoln Ave.
 414-541-7533
 www.schafffuneralhome.com

Tower Chicken Farm, Inc.
 Fresh Turkeys, Chickens, Duck, Geese
 • Kielbasa Polish Sausage
 • Great Variety of Chicken Sausages
 Summer Sausage • Beef Sticks
 Chicken Burgers • Pierogi
 4111 S. 6th St. • 744-7151

ALLIS
 AUTOMOTIVE CENTER
 6205 W Lincoln Ave | West Allis, WI 53219
 414-541-3648
 Count on our over 30 years of repair experience

catholicmatch® Wisconsin
 CatholicMatch.com/WI

Place Your Ad Here and Support our Parish!
 Instantly create and purchase an ad with
AD CREATOR STUDIO
 4lpi.com/adcreator

Z Realty
 Anna Zaganczyk Sheteron
 Sales Associate
 Cell: (414) 588-9054
 e-FAAX (414) 918-4570
 1123 N Water St Ste 305, Milwaukee, WI 53202
 www.zrealtyonline.com
 anna.sheteron.zrealtyllc@gmail.com

SMP Milwaukee by the Numbers



\$1.8 MILLION IN GOODS & SERVICES PROVIDED TO THOSE IN NEED



62,482 WARM, NUTRITIOUS MEALS SERVED AT OUR MEAL PROGRAM



10,363 HOME VISITS MADE PROVIDING BASIC HOUSEHOLD NECESSITIES



55,727 VOLUNTEER HOURS SHARED TO HELP LIVE OUT OUR MISSION

We are dedicated to eliminating poverty and hunger throughout Milwaukee County.



**OCTOBER 11-13
2024**



**OUR LADY OF LOURDES
MILWAUKEE**

Volunteer!

Why?

To witness incalculable joy throughout the weekend party!

About 200 shifts are filled each Oktoberfest Artisan Fair weekend. We thank every kitchen server, broom sweeper, greeter, popcorn-maker, cake-walk caller, Polka liturgy musician, and more. It is not just "shift-work." Here are a few of the benefits you are bringing to our community:

- You create opportunities for people to meet each other, laugh, dance, and have fun.
- You create opportunities for people to share stories, sadness, find comfort, and build understanding.
- You contribute to a legacy, a tradition
- You create opportunities for artists and musicians to receive compensation for their work.
- You are building a community. The family that plays together, stays together.
- Children working with family members feel valued by their faith community and learn useful life skills.

How to sign up?

There are two ways to sign up this year:

1. Electronically: The link is on the OLOL Oktoberfest website.
<https://www.ololmke.org/oktoberfest/>
2. Sign-up tables in the meeting room hallway. Similar to years past.