

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

March 9, 2025

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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

WITH MARY, WE BRING PEOPLE TO CHRIST TO LIVE THE LOVE OF GOD

Mass times & information

SAT	4:00 p.m. (Vigil)
SUN	8:00 a.m.
	9:30 a.m.
	11:30 a.m.
MON - THU	7:30 a.m.
FRI	8:30 a.m.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

MON - THU 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

FRI 8:00 a.m. — Noon

SAT Closed

SUN Closed

Holidays Closed

FAITH FORMATION

313-884-7407

BAPTISMS

Please call the Faith Formation Office (313-884-7407) during the last months of pregnancy to arrange for Baptism classes and schedule the Sacrament.

Everyone has a right to their own sacramental certificate. No one has the right to another person's certificate, except: the parent/guardian of a minor child. (Archdiocese of Detroit)

RECONCILIATION

Saturday at 3:00 pm or by appointment

ANOIDING OF THE SICK/

MINISTRY TO THE SICK

The Church strongly encourages people to receive the Sacrament (Anointing) of the Sick at the early stages of serious sickness or before serious surgeries.

In emergency situations needing the prompt attention of a priest, please call the parish office.

MARRIAGE

Must be a registered member, in good standing, of OLSOS.

Archdiocesan law requires advance notice of at least six months.

PARISH REGISTRATION

Newcomers to the parish may register in the Parish Office or online at OLSOS.org.

Please notify the Parish Office of address changes.

Adults over 21 need to be registered as an individual member to be considered a Catholic in Good Standing.

Hearing devices are available for use during Mass. Please ask an usher for assistance.

Half and Half from Msgr. Gary Smetanka

We begin this season of Lent, I offer a few excerpts from our Holy Father's message to us this Lent.

This Lent, as we share in the grace of the Jubilee Year, I would like to propose a few reflections on what it means to journey together in hope, and on the summons to conversion that God in his mercy addresses to all of us, as individuals and as a community.

First of all, to journey. The Jubilee motto, "Pilgrims of Hope", evokes the lengthy journey of the people of Israel to the Promised Land, as recounted in the Book of Exodus. This arduous path from slavery to freedom was willed and guided by the Lord, who loves his people and remains ever faithful to them. It is hard to think of the biblical exodus without also thinking of those of our brothers and sisters who in our own day are fleeing situations of misery and violence in search of a better life for themselves and their loved ones. A first call to conversion thus comes from the realization that all of us are pilgrims in this life; each of us is invited to stop and ask how our lives reflect this fact. Am I really on a journey, or am I standing still, not moving, either immobilized by fear and hopelessness or reluctant to move out of my comfort zone? Am I seeking ways to leave behind the occasions of sin and situations that degrade my dignity? It would be a good Lenten exercise for us to compare our daily life with that of some migrant or foreigner, to learn how to sympathize with their experiences and in this way discover what God is asking of us so that we can better advance on our journey to the house of the Father. This would be a good "examination of conscience" for all of us wayfarers.

Second, to journey together. The Church is called to walk together, ...and never as lone travelers. The Holy Spirit impels us not to remain self-absorbed, but to leave ourselves behind and keep walking towards God and our brothers and sisters. ...It means walking side-by-side, without shoving or stepping on others, without envy or hypocrisy, without letting anyone be left behind or excluded. Let us all walk in the same direction, tending towards the same goal, attentive to one another in love and patience.

This Lent, God is asking us to examine whether in our lives, in our families, in the places where we work and spend our time, we are capable of walking together with others, listening to them, resisting the temptation to become self-absorbed and to think only of our own needs. ...

Third, let us journey together in hope, for we have been given a promise. May the hope that does not disappoint (cf. Rom 5:5), the central message of the Jubilee, be the focus of our Lenten journey towards the victory of Easter. ...

May the Virgin Mary, Mother of Hope, intercede for us and accompany us on our Lenten journey.

**** What a great auction we had! Lots of work goes into making this event so wonderful, from the months of planning, the many donors and sponsors, all those who purchased tickets, the execution of the plans by scores of volunteers...and all the attendees! It was quite the party as many told me! Thanks to all who had a hand in this great night!**

**** We hope you spread the word about our Fish Fry! We know it is a darn good one and many people have complimented the good food!**

May this Lent be a time of renewal and hope!

Msgr. Gary Smetanka

REMINDER PARISH OFFICE HOURS (as of July 1, 2024)

Monday—Thursday 8:00 am—4:00 pm

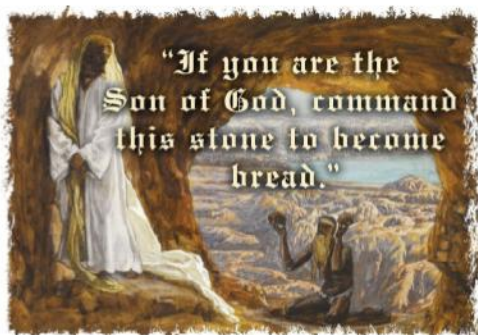
Friday—8:00 am—12:00 pm

Closed Saturday, Sundays and Holidays.

Please pray for:

In memoriam

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3/10/1969	Leana Moi
3/10/1976	Maybelle DeLahanty
3/10/1980	Andrew Reid
3/10/1981	Loretta Beauregard
3/10/1987	John Majewski
3/10/2013	Mary Quaine
3/10/2013	Diane Walters
3/11/1964	John Burke
3/11/1984	Jerome Cusenza
3/11/1986	Bruno Hessick
3/11/1998	Robert Roth
3/11/2017	Mary Beth Semczak
3/11/2020	Cornilia "Connie" Brooks
3/11/2021	Anthony Frattini
3/11/2022	Frances Smetanka
3/12/1970	Lillian Burns
3/12/1977	Ida Rove
3/12/1979	Albert Eckel
3/12/1982	Matilda VanWallagham
3/12/1986	Jean Rizzotto
3/13/2022	William Zablocki
3/13/1968	Edward Schwikert
3/13/1980	Earl Meyers
3/13/1985	Frank McBride
3/13/2003	Thomas Hackett
3/13/2014	David Ayrault
3/14/1975	Helen Ulrich
3/14/1995	Richard Debinski
3/14/2002	Peter Iacobell
3/15/1977	Frank Perll
3/15/1995	Morris DeFour
3/15/2003	Orielda Lenhard
3/15/2007	John F. Monahan
3/15/2022	Rudy Armbruster
3/16/1971	Phyllis Werle
3/16/1992	Dorothy Mae Cusick
3/16/2013	Leo Ventimiglia
3/16/2017	Gary Jensen
3/16/2020	Edouard Stines
3/16/2023	Patricia O'Grady



the sick

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 Jeanne Collins
 Ruth Flynn
 Greg DeMars
 Barbara Drader
 Kaynoa Dunn
 Mary Anne Gargaro
 Christine Mathis
 Tom Mocer
 Angie Rubino
 Cathy Spindler
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 Alexis Suppanz
 Mary Surmont
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 Joyce Tranchida
 Suzanne Underwood
 Christopher Urban
 James Victor
 Martha Victor
 Pam Wilson

those in the military

Connor Barthel
 James Patrick Carrier
 Josh Duffy
 Richard Shetler, III
 William F. Sottrel
 John Walker

MASS INTENTIONS

What does it mean to have a Mass "offered" for someone?

An individual may ask a priest to offer a Mass for several reasons: for example, in thanksgiving, for the intentions of another person (such as on a birthday), or, as is most common, for the repose of the soul of someone who has died.

It is worth noting, however, that the offering of the Mass for that intention does not depend on it being publicly voiced but on it being specified in the priest's personal prayers. Similarly, if a priest announces that "I am offering this Mass for [such and such an] intention" he does not thereby require the rest of the congregation to pray for that intention.

Mass Intentions

Monday, March 10

7:30 a.m. +Patricia David
 +Jack Spytzman

Tuesday, March 11

7:30 a.m. +Patricia David

Wednesday, March 12

7:30 a.m. +Edmund Ahee, Sr.

Thursday, March 13

7:30 a.m. Charles Spindler
 The Homebound

Friday, March 14

8:30 a.m. +Joseph Smetanka
 Betty Ahee

Saturday, March 15

4:00 p.m. +John & Carmela Brucia

Sunday, March 16

8:00 a.m. OLSOS Parishioners

9:30 a.m. +Walt Bryzik

11:30 a.m. +Virginia Mushenski
 The Zink Family
 Charles Spindler

Mass intentions may be requested online at
<https://www.olsos.org/mass-intentions>

Mass Intentions -

Please Note: Mass intentions may be arranged by coming into the parish office or online at www.olsos.org/mass-intentions. According to Archdiocesan Policy, the suggested donation is \$10 per Mass per person. Masses can be for the deceased (+) and the living, so please don't assume that a Mass being said for a living person, means that they are ill, please respect the privacy of all individuals.



Fish fry FRIDAY
MARCH 7, 14, 21, 28 APRIL 4, 11
 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM - DINE IN OR CARRY OUT
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 all dinners come with salad or cole slaw, and a roll
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QUESTIONS - 313-884-5554 or WWW.OLSOS.ORG

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MARCH 7, 14, 21, 28, APRIL 4, 11
 Volunteers needed.
 Shifts 3:45 pm - 5:00 pm
 4:45pm - 6:15 pm
 6:00 pm - 7:15 pm

sign up: using qr code or visiting
 www.shorturlat/pmK1T

Scripture Readings

For the Week of March 9, 2025

Sunday	First Sunday of Lent Dt 26:4-10; Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15; Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13
Monday	Lev 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday	Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19; Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday	Jonah 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32
Thursday	Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12
Friday	Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8; Mt 5:20-26
Saturday	Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
Sunday	Second Sunday of Lent Gen 15:5-12, 17-18; Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14; Phil 3:17-4:1 or Phil 3:20-4:1; Lk 9:28b-36



THE PRAYER FOR THE JUBILEE YEAR

Father in heaven,
 may the faith you have gifted us
 in your Son Jesus Christ, our brother,
 and the flame of charity kindled
 in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
 reawaken in us, the blessed hope
 for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us
 into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.
 May those seeds transform from within
 both humanity and the whole cosmos
 in the sure expectation
 of a new heaven and a new earth,
 when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,
 your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee
 reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope,
 a yearning for treasures of heaven.

May the same grace spread
 the joy and peace of our Redeemer.
 throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed,
 be glory and praise for ever.
 Amen.

MARCH SERVICE PROJECT



**BLESSING BAGS
FOR THE HOMELESS**
Please help us gather items
for our blessing bags

All donations need to be turned in by April 6th
Join us on Sunday, April 6th at 12:30 to assemble
the bags in The Pointe

2 - Bumble Bee Snack on the Run 3.5 oz Tuna Salad with Crackers & spoon

1 - Snack pack fruit cups (6)

1 - Snack pack applesauce (6)

1 - Box SOFT Nutri Grain Bars (8)

1 - Variety pack cheese/peanut butter with crackers

1 pkg - SMALL 8oz bottle water

1 - Box of individual single hand wipes

1 pkg - White socks or 2 pairs

1 - Box of Band Aids (1 size)

Items can be placed in the big white box

Thank you again for your continued generosity.



Save The Date

Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, March 23

8:00 - 11:00 am



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All orders are due no later than
Wednesday, April 9th

[[Cut here and save as your reminder]]



PICK UP

Wednesday, April 16th
3:00—5:00 pm

Under the church canopy

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

PARISH & SCHOOL

Lent 2025

God's Hope:
Our Lenten Compass

Check out www.olsos.org
for more resources.

EVENTS

FISH FRY

Every Friday during Lent (except Good Friday)

5:00 - 7:00 PM

Join us in The Pointe for our famous Fish Fry. Take-out & dine-in available! Check our website for details.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays during Lent | 7:00 PM

Stations of the Cross will take place in the Church.

LENTEN FAMILY HOUR

April 1 | 6:30 - 7:30 PM

We will gather in the Church to share God's Hope for our life through reflection, relaxation, and song. Children will be invited to the gym for their own personal encounter.

CONFESSION TIMES

These times plus the usual Saturday confession at 3:00 PM until all have been heard.

Thursday, April 3: 6:30-7:30 PM

***Thursday, April 10: 1:00 PM, at St. Margaret of Scotland**

Thursday, April 10: 3:00 - 4:00 PM

***Monday, April 14: 7:00 PM, at St. Joan of Arc**

***Vicariate Services**

See future bulletins & the website for added dates.

ADORATION & HOLY HOUR

ADORATION

Parish Office Chapel: Every Wednesday (all year round)
11:00 AM and concludes at 2:00 PM.

Adoration Chapel

Visit our Adoration Chapel all Lent, open 6:00 AM - 11:30 PM.

ALMSGIVING INFORMATION

The three traditional pillars of Lenten observance are prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

Almsgiving: It is a sign of our care for those in need and an expression of our gratitude for all that God has given to us. Works of charity and the promotion of justice are fundamental components of the Christian way of life we began when we were baptized.

GIANNA HOUSE

Gianna House is a refuge for at-risk mothers, offering support during pregnancy and beyond. Through educational classes on parenting, personal growth, and wellness, as well as essential baby and maternity supplies, Gianna House empowers women with the resources they need to care for themselves and their children.
EASTPOINTE, MI | www.giannahouse.org

CENTER FOR THE WORKS OF MERCY

The Center for the Works of Mercy is a one-stop haven of help and hope, providing food, clothing, healthcare, and support services to those in need. Through programs like the Mercy Food Pantry, Malta Medical & Dental Clinic, and Mercy Clothing Closet, the center transforms lives with compassion and care.
DETROIT, MI | www.ccsem.org/CWM

HAVEN PLACE

Haven Place is a welcoming community hub where youth and families can connect and grow. With a Coffee House atmosphere for middle and high schoolers, after-school tutoring for all ages, Bible studies, a young adult ministry, and family-friendly events like outdoor movie nights and rummage sales, Haven Place offers a space for learning, fellowship, and fun.
NEW HAVEN, MI | www.havenplaceinc.weebly.com

LIGHTHOUSE YOUTH SANCTUARY

Lighthouse Youth Sanctuary is a beacon of hope, providing essential services like food, shelter, financial assistance, and crisis referrals to those in need. Through stability and housing programs, we help individuals and families achieve self-sufficiency, offering support when they need it most—often for the first time.
ROYAL OAK, MI | www.lighthousemi.org

Mark the organization(s) you would like to help on the envelopes found in the gathering space. Make checks payable to **OLSOS**.

Envelopes can be dropped off in the offertory boxes, parish office, or brought to the Holy Thursday Mass.



Tear these pages out of the bulletin and hang in your home as a reminder for our upcoming events!

OTHER RESOURCES



Come & You Will See - with Fr. Brian Meldrum

In this self-paced course, you will examine John's use of imagery throughout the Gospel as a way of inviting you to know Jesus better. Sign up at www.equip.shms.edu

Book Resources



Lenten Gospel Reflections

In this devotional booklet, Bishop Robert Barron invites readers to enter more deeply into the prayerful nature of the season.



Ascension Lenten Companion

This Lent, experience deeper peace by reflecting on Jesus' suffering and death, and inspiring you to celebrate in his resurrection.

RESOURCES FOR ADULTS



Loyola Press

Resources compiled for you in your Lenten walk towards Christ this season. www.loyolapress.com



Pray40 by Hallow

Drawing on the incredible writings of St. Josemaría Escrivá, author of The Way, we'll follow Jesus into deeper faith every day this Lent. www.hallow.com/pray40

RESOURCES FOR FAMILIES & CHILDREN



Catholic Sprouts Activities

These crafts are both faith building and fun. They are a great addition to your home.



Loyola Press for Kids

These Lenten activities are broken down by grade level, to help you go deeper into the faith with your family.

FORMING OUR FAITH



More resources can
be found at
www.olsos.org/lent





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Questions Directed To:

Jack Novak:
j.novak@stargp.org
313-884-7407



**Saturday, March 22nd
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Daily: MWFS 8:30 a.m. T 7:00 p.m.

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Msgr. G. Michael Bugarin
Fr. Bob Voiland
586-777-3670

Mass Times

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00, 10:00 a.m.
and 12:00 p.m.

Daily: MTWTHF 7:00 a.m.
W 6:00 p.m.

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PRIEST *IN SOLIDUM*
Fr. Jim Commyn
586-771-8300

Mass Times

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 10:00 am

Daily: MF 9:00 a.m. W 12:00 p.m.

ST VERONICA

PRIEST *IN SOLIDUM*
Fr. Stan Pachla
586-777-0331

Mass Times

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Daily: TWTH 7:45 a.m. (Convent)

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA PRIEST *IN SOLIDUM* (Moderator)

Msgr. Gary Smetanka
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