

May 18, 2025
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POPE LEO XIV

267th Pontiff of the Catholic Church
May 8, 2025



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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

ANointing 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.

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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

Well, what a time for the Church universal who has grieved the passing of our Holy Father Francis and then welcomed a new Holy Father, cheering as the steam of white smoke poured forth from the famous smokestack of the Sistine Chapel! (You are thinking that was more than a week ago, yes, but it has only been three days ago at the time of this writing in preparation for a May 18 publication!) It has always been exciting to see white smoke, wait for the new Pontiff to be announced, and then emerge out on the balcony of St. Peter's Basilica. Classic moments etched into our memory and our history. Even more so with this past conclave and the Pope chosen.

I know I will never forget, still being exhausted Easter Monday morning, and jumping out of bed hearing the very early morning news that Pope Francis died. We knew he was very sick, but we just saw him on Easter Sunday!! God Bless Pope Francis for all he did leading the Church during his pontificate. Now, we shift in the time of mourning, praying for the repose of his soul, and praying for the Holy Spirit to inspire the cardinal electors and raise up a new shepherd for the Church.

Seeing white smoke so early in the conclave was the first surprise. I was expecting another day of voting. However, the quick conclave gave obvious quick consensus for the one selected, which is a good sign for the Church. Despite not one of the public "front runners," the cardinal electors were attentive to the prompting of the Holy Spirit to choose Cardinal Robert Prevost. Yes, American born, but served God's people around the world in his missionary work as an Augustinian priest, leader of the Augustinian Order, a bishop in the poorest dioceses in Peru, and head of the Vatican office for Bishops. A rather quick rise in ecclesiastical ranks as bishop, and a cardinal for only two years!

Now Pope Leo XIV needs our prayers. You know well the difficult task of leading 1.4 billion members of the Catholic Church who are in a wide range of life situations. He might be born in the USA, but he certainly has a world view of what is needed, well aware of the need to focus on human rights violations, numerous wars, internal Church conflicts, financial challenges within the Vatican, and so much more. As he told the College of Cardinals, together we walk and minister to all people to accomplish peace and unity.

Let us be open to what Pope Leo XIV says and teaches. Trust the Holy Spirit who has raised up, through the College of Cardinals, Robert Francis Cardinal Prevost, as Vicar of Christ here on earth. What he has to say is important for our good and the good of the Church!

**** Congratulations to our special wedding anniversary couples we celebrate this weekend. May the blessings of your marriage continue to bring forth abundant fruit in all aspects of your life.**

**** Please pray for me this week as I will be on retreat. Certainly, a time of rest and renewal. Therefore, there is no morning Mass at Star this week.**

Know the goodness of the Lord in your life this week!

Msgr. Gary Smetanka

Scripture Readings

For the Week of May 18, 2025

Sunday	Fifth Sunday of Easter Acts 14:21-27; Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13; Rev 21:1-5a; Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35
Monday	Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16; Jn 14:21-26
Tuesday	Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21; Jn 14:27-31a
Wednesday	Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Jn 15:1-8
Thursday	Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10; Jn 15:9-11
Friday	Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12; Jn 15:12-17
Saturday	Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5; Jn 15:18-21
Sunday	Sixth Sunday of Easter Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rev 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29

Prayer for Pope Leo XIV

Lord, source of eternal life and truth,
give to your shepherd a spirit of courage and right judgment,
a spirit of knowledge and love.
By governing with fidelity those entrusted to his care,
may he, as successor to the Apostle Peter and Vicar of Christ,
build your Church into a sacrament of unity,
love and peace for all the world.
Amen.

Prayer Group

every Wednesday at 3:00 pm in
the O.L.S.O.S. prayer and Eucharistic
chapel on Morningside,
to pray the Rosary &
the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

We pray for world peace and
all the parish intentions

Adoration

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
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in the Parish Office Chapel

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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

**We will not have
weekday morning Masses
Monday, May 19 - 23**

**Please see our neighboring parishes
for their schedule**

Saturday, May 24

4:00 p.m. +John Parthum, Sr
+Elsie Connors
+Frank & Emma Fayad
Parents struggling from loss
due to miscarriage

Sunday, May 25

8:00 a.m. OLSOS Parishioners
+Leslie Komlosan
+Maynard Rupp

9:30 a.m. +Robert Dudeck
+Doug Abood

11:30 a.m. +Virginia Mushenski
+Dick Flynn
Paul & Amber Treder

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.

THE KIDS' BULLETIN

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5/22/2022 Anthony Malcoun
5/23/1958 Andrew Michalak
5/23/1970 Richard Ray
5/23/1971 Walter Jatcoe
5/23/1979 Antonina Gueccia
5/23/1989 Evelyn M. Dakmak
5/23/2008 Josephine Baiocchi
5/24/1968 Bert Chartier
5/24/1974 Mamie Palazzola
5/24/1988 Marie Tutatu Metes
5/24/1997 John Reeves
5/24/1998 Phil (Felix) Kress
5/24/2011 Anthony Simon
5/24/2015 Roy Eugenio
5/24/2015 Mary Trybus
5/25/1964 Isidor Manzo
5/25/1968 Josephine Bernacki
5/25/1980 Agnes Bonahoom
5/25/1980 Blanche Zuercher
5/25/1995 Yvon DesRoberts
5/25/2007 Glennell Staats

the sick

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Maria Buscemi
Jeanne Collins
Ruth Flynn
Cheryl Fox
Greg DeMars
Barbara Drader
Kaynoa Dunn
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Christine Mathis
Tom Mocerì
Angie Rubino
Cathy Spindler

JoAnne Spring
Alexis Suppanz
Mary Surmont
E. Noreen Szyborski
Joyce Tranchida
Christopher Urban
Linda Vitale
Pam Wilson

those in the military

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



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.

Stewardship Thoughts

In today's Gospel from the evangelist St. John, Jesus presents a new directive to His followers: *Love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another.* Jesus further declares that everyone will know His disciples because of their love for one another. The Scripture passages from the Acts of the Apostles and Book of Revelation affirm God's presence in the lives of disciples who face trials for practicing their faith. Full discipleship in the Lord requires a total sacrificial love for others. In *Unleash the Gospel*, Archbishop Vigneron emphasizes: *Growing as his disciples demands a daily surrender to the one who loved us and gave his life for us: "I live, no longer I, but Christ lives in me" (Gal 2:20) (Read, Unleash the Gospel, Marker 9.2, Grow. <https://www.unleashthegospel.org>).* In a spirit of evangelization, disciples who center their lives in Christ give their God-given gifts of prayer, service, and generosity to their parish and their neighbors in need. When determining their weekly financial sacrificial offering to God, faithful stewards give back their "first fruits" to the Lord — not just what remains after their monthly expenses are paid. Remember, God's generosity is never outdone.



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Catholic Service Appeal 2025

It is time for us to run this race
with eyes fixed on Jesus



Our Lady Star of the Sea 2025 goal:

\$163,000

CSA 2025

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WITH EYES FIXED ON JESUS

This year's Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) theme comes from the motto of Archbishop Vigneron, which he adopted from the Letter to the Hebrews: "Let us rid ourselves of every burden and sin that clings to us and persevere in running the race that lies before us while keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus, the leader and perfecter of faith." It is this steadfast focus on Jesus that gives us the strength and courage to go about the work of sharing our love of Jesus Christ with others.

What is the Catholic Services Appeal?

The Catholic Services Appeal is an annual campaign that raises funds for the Archdiocese of Detroit's ministries, programs, and services that benefit all the faithful in southeast Michigan. This archdiocesan-wide campaign reinforces the fact that the local Church extends beyond church buildings.

The CSA is an opportunity for the faithful to respond to Christ's command "to love one another as I have loved you" (John 15:12) by helping to fund services throughout the broader area of southeast Michigan. This collaborative, archdiocesan campaign is a way to demonstrate the unity of the larger Church and to fund these vital programs.

What does the CSA fund?

The Catholic Services Appeal benefits parishes and people in the Archdiocese of Detroit by helping to fund more than 100 ministries, programs, and services, including: support for men discerning God's call to the priesthood at Sacred Heart Major Seminary; campus ministry; grants to Catholic schools; and young adult programs. Essentially, CSA dollars help fund the spiritual and corporal works of mercy in the greater Detroit area.

Thank you for making a gift to the Catholic Services Appeal. Your donation makes it possible for over one hundred services and programs to respond to the physical and spiritual needs of countless individuals and families in Southeast Michigan.



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This individual will be responsible for assisting in the movement and relocation of items in classrooms and offices throughout the school as we prepare for and complete a large number of projects this summer.

Applicants should be able to lift heavy objects (40-50lbs.) and can expect approximately 20 hours per week.

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We are always looking for friendly faces to join our Hospitality Team – it’s a great way to support your parish and be a welcoming presence! Contact Judy Zedan, jl.zedan@gmail.com for more information.

Make plans to join us on June 1



**Pentecost
June 8, 2025**

Let’s fill the church
with Red.



Bring a red geranium and wear red!

Wearing red on Pentecost is a visible sign of faith and a reminder of the Holy Spirit's presence and the fire of the Spirit's power.

**Livestreaming
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Saturdays during the 4:00 pm Mass

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**Our food pantry needs the
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canned chicken - canned fruit -
canned vegetables - canned pasta -
peanut butter and jelly - crackers (Saltines, Ritz,
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For more information, contact Mike Carsten OFS

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Socks - any color, any style

Underwear – any color any style

Men – all sizes needed

Socks – dress and casual any color

white athletic crew socks

Underwear – boxers, briefs, boxer briefs

Please bring in new socks and underwear. Place in the white box in the gathering space. The donations will go to a different organization each month.

We will continue to collect throughout the year

Thank you for your generosity!





Faith Formation Pre-Registration Survey

If you plan to register your child for the upcoming catechism year,
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W 6:00 p.m.

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Fr. Jim Commyn

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Sunday: 10:00 am

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

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PRIEST *IN SOLIDUM*

Fr. Stan Pachla

586-777-0331

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Daily: MTWTH 7:30 a.m. F 8:30 a.m.



Sacred Heart Holy Hour

Please join the Knights of Columbus as they spread devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus through a

Sacred Heart Holy Hour

Tuesday, June 3, 2025

7:00pm

St. Paul on the Lake Church

Through the Pilgrim Icon Program, the Holy Hour will feature an icon depicting the most famous image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, painted in 1767 by Pompeo Batoni and now venerated in the Church of the Gesù in Rome. The reproduction bears the blessing of Pope Francis, through the Papal Almoner, and is one of more than 300 icons traveling across the world, from council to council, for veneration and use in prayer services.

The Sacred Heart Holy Hour includes readings from Sacred Scripture and reflections from Pope Francis on the Sacred Heart, as well as the Divine Mercy Chaplet, prayers to the Sacred Heart and time for silent prayer. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

More details at <https://stpaulonthelake.org/knights-of-columbus>
Questions please call Joseph MacDonald at 313-282-2218.

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