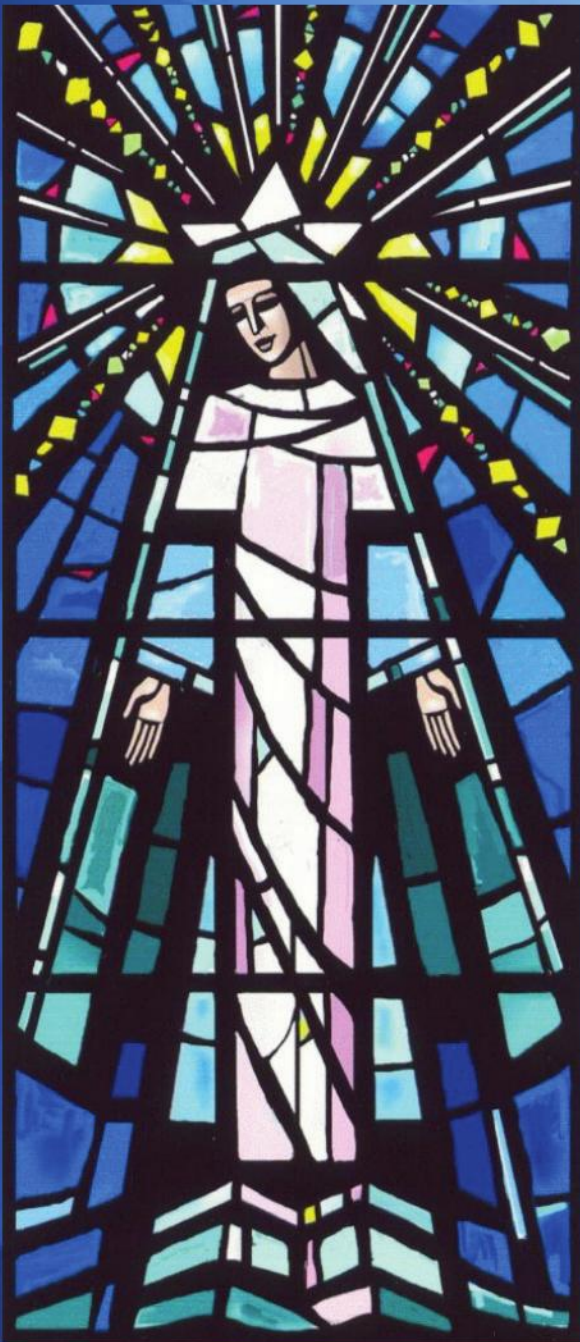


OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

July 13, 2025
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FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass times & information

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

I hope you are enjoying these wonderful days of summer. It has been a bit crazy weather wise, especially with the heat, the air quality alerts and the extreme weather we seem to get. Nonetheless, summer is also about taking extra time for enjoying the beauty of all creation given to us by God. It is about doing some things we can't do during winter, especially here in Michigan! It certainly should give us some extra time to think, reflect and pray as well. That is what I always hope for during summer days. Generally speaking, I think summer is a time for a bit of renewal, especially in our area of the land where we experience the four seasons. The extra recreation we can enjoy gives us the opportunity to clear the mind, see the beauty of God's creation, and sometimes just let the mind do nothing. Not surprisingly, it is most often during those times that our creativity is most active in our minds!

I will be taking that time to enjoy some of God's creation this week and next. No going anyplace exotic or fancy. Just the simplicity of "up north" Michigan. So, for this week and the next, we will have no Mass here at 7:30 in the morning Monday through Friday. You might ask, "can't he get someone to cover the morning Mass." Perhaps or perhaps not! Given the shortage of priests, it is only putting another Mass on someone who already has another Mass or funeral scheduled for the day. Given our churches are probably within two miles from us, it is a reasonable guess that distance is not a burden on someone. In fact, people might drive farther than that to get their daily special coffee or smoothie! I also know many of you enjoy visiting other parishes, only to appreciate Star all the more so!

Some people are also under the belief that it is the job of priests to go around and say Mass whenever, even many times a day, and wherever. That is not the case. Priests are to say one Mass a day, two if pastorally necessary (e.g., a funeral), and only three with permission (e.g., Christmas, Easter). So, for this week, I encourage participation in Mass with our Family of Parishes or next door at St. Paul.

Please pray for me during these weeks as I will pray for you!

**** Please keep in mind our Outdoor Rosary (weather permitting) at the Rosary Garden (on Morningside) at 7:00 pm to pray the rosary as a family. It is also an opportunity to invite other family members and neighbors, to join us!**

**** Thank you again for all the donations and pledges to the Catholic Services Appeal. It is a great way to support so many ministries and programs that bring people closer to the Lord through the ministry of the Church.**

**** Don't forget to say some prayers for an increase in priestly vocations this week!**

Enjoy the blessings of the Lord this week.

Msgr. Gary Smetanka

PLEASE NOTE

No 7:30 am Weekday Masses

July 14-21 and July 21-28

St Paul: weekday at 6:30 am
and 8:15 am will be available most days

St Joan of Arc: Weekday at 7:00 am and
Wednesday evening at 6:00 pm

St Lucy: Monday 9:00 am; Wednesday 12:00 pm;
Friday 9:00 am

Mass Intentions

According to an old tradition, Catholics may offer a contribution to a priest and request an intention for a particular Mass (*Code of Canon Law*, 945–946). This custom invites the faithful into a deeper celebration of the Eucharist by uniting their sacrifice with that of Christ. It also helps compensate the Church's minister for his work. Because of this latter reason, the contribution is called a "stipend." In affluent countries, the stipend is inadequate and the priest receives a salary. In poor countries, priests cannot support themselves without the Mass stipend. For a while, the custom sustained the belief that a Mass could hold a primary intention and that the priest could control the blessings of a Mass in a specific way. Recent statements from Rome have not reinforced that thinking, however. Rather, the priest accepts the offerings for Mass "according to particular intentions." God directs the fruits of the Mass, which are infinite and universal, according to the devotion of the faithful. In the past, the priest could accept only one intention per Mass. Now he may accept several intentions for the same Mass once or twice a week if the donors are aware and agree (Congregation for the Clergy, *Mos iugiter*, 1991). Because the custom promotes the active participation of the faithful, the Mass intention makes more sense if the donor is actually present for the Mass. Most parishes keep a record of Mass intentions in the office or sacristy and they are commonly published in the bulletin and announced at the Masses. When doing so, it is more accurate to say, "We remember this person in a special way at this Mass," than to say in a restrictive sense, "This Mass is offered for this person." The Mass is offered for

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Scripture Readings

For the Week of July 13, 2025

Sunday	Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Dt 30:10-14; Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37 or Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Col 1:15-20; Lk 10:25-37
Monday	Memorial of Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin Ex 1:8-14, 22; Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8; Mt 10:34-11:1
Tuesday	Memorial of Saint Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church Ex 2:1-15a; Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 11:20-24
Wednesday	Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7; Mt 11:25-27
Thursday	Ex 3:13-20; Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27; Mt 11:28-30
Friday	Ex 11:10-12:14; Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc, 17-18; Mt 12:1-8
Saturday	Ex 12:37-42; Ps 136:1 and 23-24, 10-12, 13-15; Mt 12:14-21
Sunday	Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Gn 18:1-10a; Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5; Col 1:24-28; Lk 10:38-42

Mass Intentions

Monday, July 14

7:30 a.m. NO MASS

Tuesday, July 15

7:30 a.m. NO MASS

Wednesday, July 16

7:30 a.m. NO MASS

Thursday, July 17

7:30 a.m. NO MASS

Friday, July 18

7:30 a.m. NO MASS

Saturday, July 19

4:00 p.m. +John & Carmela Brucia
+Deceased Members of the
Ronzi Family
+Bill Connors

Sunday, July 20

8:00 a.m. OLSOS Parishioners
+Deceased Members of the
Spindler Family
Charles Spindler
+Delores Spezia

9:30 a.m. +Walter Bryzik

11:30 a.m. +Virginia Mushenski
+Ray Andary, Jr.
+Lillian Licata
+Robert Waldvogel

Mass Intentions -

Please Note: 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.



Mass intentions may be arranged by coming into the parish office,
online at www.olsos.org/mass-intentions,
or by scanning the QR code



Please pray for:

In memoriam

7/14/1972	Core Reseta
7/14/1974	Sadie Burgess
7/14/1979	Robert Connors
7/14/1979	Arthur Vanlergerghe, II
7/14/1980	Elva Meininger
7/14/1991	Geraldine Jennings
7/14/2011	Edward Zabinski
7/14/2013	Marian Frame
7/14/2013	Mary Vago
7/14/2014	Donald Stieber
7/14/2014	Patrick Santino
7/14/2016	Gertrud Rose Kinney
7/14/2020	Gerald Clancy
7/15/1959	John Gigante
7/15/1969	Chester Jankowski
7/15/1971	Mary Irene Ameel
7/15/1972	Andrew Kuzmicki
7/15/1975	Salvatore Burgio
7/15/1984	Martha Pusey
7/15/1997	Dorothy Reardon
7/15/2010	James Manor
7/15/2012	Pedro Franco
7/15/2017	Rita McElmurry
7/15/2018	Marjorie Walsh
7/16/1965	John Sowinski
7/16/1968	Sandra DeSmyter
7/16/1985	John Mills
7/16/1987	Harold Michaux
7/16/1994	Clarence Kramer
7/16/2005	Van John Vanderpool
7/16/2012	Ted Mrozowski
7/16/2013	Julianne Zukowski
7/16/2022	Barbara Monahan
7/16/2023	Josephine Brown
7/17/1980	Leo Radak
7/17/2000	Albert Yaklin
7/17/2001	Adele Attie
7/17/2003	Helen Martin
7/18/1986	Melvin Beatty
7/18/1990	Celeste Lynch
7/18/1993	Rose Carnaghie
7/18/1994	Lillian Phillips
7/18/1997	Mary Jo Miller
7/18/2011	Rosemary Shea
7/19/1957	Peter Moro
7/19/1974	Genevieve Anderton
7/19/1999	Norman White
7/19/2012	Edward Beck
7/19/2014	Dolores Baranski
7/20/1957	W. Dean Robinson
7/20/1985	Mary Prokopowicz
7/20/1988	Donald Grassbaugh
7/20/1990	Robert LeFevre

7/20/2002	JoAnne Encinas
7/20/2011	James Veneri
7/20/2012	Genevieve Casey
7/20/2012	Benjamin Veitch
7/20/2012	Edgar Trombly
7/20/2023	Kathleen Kedzierski

the sick

Jennie Barzotti
 Maria Buscemi
 Jeanne Collins
 Ruth Flynn
 Cheryl Fox
 Greg DeMars
 Barbara Drader
 Kaynoa Dunn
 Mary Anne Gargaro
 Christine Mathis
 Tom Mocer
 Angie Rubino
 Cathy Spindler
 Charles 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



Stewardship Thoughts

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

God's law connects today's First Reading and our Gospel from the evangelist St. Luke. In the Book of Deuteronomy, Moses points out to the ancient Israelites that keeping God's law is doable for it is *already in your mouths and in your hearts*. In the Gospel, in the parable of the Good Samaritan, we hear Jesus encouraging us to express our love of God through love and mercy for our neighbor. For all Christians, love of God and neighbor are the two greatest commandments — and serve as the foundation for evangelizing through our acts of stewardship. One way to express the love of God is through our devout actions before and while partaking of the Holy Eucharist — the true presence of the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of our Lord and Savior. Receive Holy Communion regularly for the strength and courage to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, and perform other Corporal Works of Mercy.

THE KIDS' BULLETIN

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A fun way for Catholic kids to learn about the Faith every week.

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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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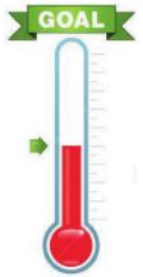
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CSA 2025



Our Lady Star of the Sea
Goal: \$163,000



As of July 7, 2025

CSA 2025 UPDATE	
pledges to date	\$93,970.00
% of goal	57%
% of families	20%
Short	-\$69,030.00

Thank you to all those who have already contributed.

**Livestreaming
needs your help!**

**CALL FOR
VOLUNTEERS**



Saturdays during the 4:00 pm Mass

Contact d.veltri@stargp.org to Volunteer

We will provide training.
Time commitment is approx 1 1/2 hours once a month



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Have you been getting our weekly newsletters via email?

Sign up for the newsletters by visiting our website under get connected, scan the QR code or call the office.

We don't want you to miss out on the latest news or events





VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Adult Leaders Vacation Bible School

August 11-14, 2025

Help bring the joy of Jesus to children through games, crafts, music, and more!

Faith Formation Catechists

2025-2026 School Year

Make a lasting impact by sharing your faith with the next generation.

Interested?

Contact Jack Novak:

j.novak@stargp.org
313-884-7407

No experience necessary, just a love for God and a heart for children!



SUPPORT VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

We are collecting donations to help make this year's Vacation Bible School a success!

Please consider purchasing an item from our Amazon Wishlist using the QR code or link.

All donated items can be dropped off at the parish office. linktr.ee/STARVBS

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REGISTER NOW!

SCHEDULE: 4:15PM - 5:30PM

September: 23rd | 30th

October: 7th | 14th | 21st | 28th

November: 4th | 11th | 18th | 25th

December: 2nd | 9th | 16th

January: 6th | 13th | 20th | 27th

February: 3rd | 10th | 24th

March: 3rd | 10th | 17th | 24th

PRICE:

1 Child: \$215

2 Children: \$335

3 Children: \$400

4+ Children: \$445

ADDITIONAL FEES:

First Eucharist (2nd Grade): \$45

Confirmation (8th Grade): \$45

Catechists
Needed!

Faith Formation Registration 2025-2026 School Year Grades 1-8

If you are interested in registering your child(ren) from Faith Formation, please scan the QR code or follow the link below.

This link will take you to the registration form, the payment link, and the Faith Formation Website.

Any questions can be directed to Jack Novak.



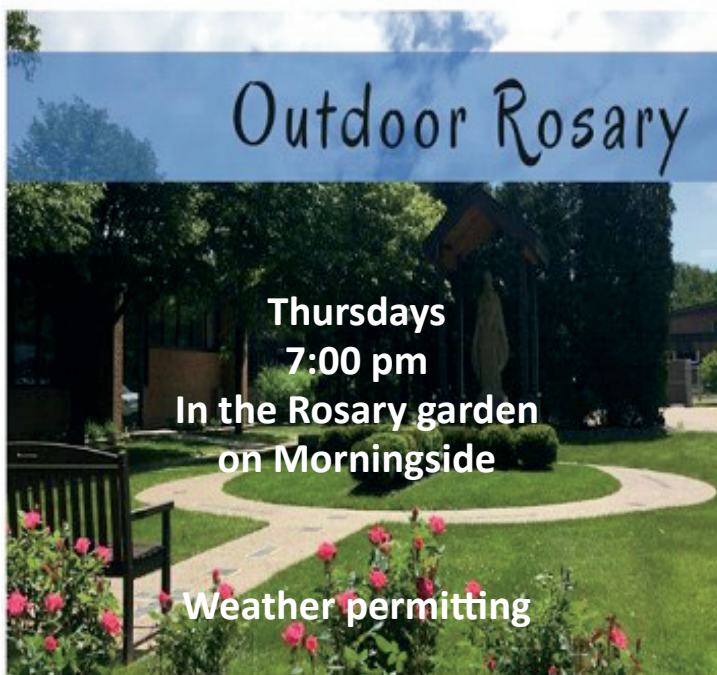
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Questions for all events can be directed to:

Jack Novak: Email: j.novak@stargp.org | Phone: 313-558-7407

Visit our Website: olsos.org/ff



Sacristan Needed for 11:30 AM Mass

We are in need of an additional sacristan for the Sunday 11:30 AM Mass. Sacristans arrive about a half hour before Mass to set out the bread and wine and sacred vessels used at Mass. After Mass, they are responsible for turning off the lights and locking up the church for the day.

The time commitment is minimal. Sacristans serve only once a month, and are able to switch days with other sacristans, as required, to accommodate travel or special events.

Training will be provided. This is an excellent way for an individual or a couple to become more involved in the parish. Please prayerfully consider this request; we could really use your help. For more information call Terry Varani (313-492-8327).



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Online donations through Faith Direct help sustain our parish ministries and keep our offertory consistent during the busy summer vacation months. If you make the switch today, you'll be giving steady, consistent support to the parish ministries you care about most in the months ahead – even if you're out of town during summer weekends.

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Contribution through the **Archdiocese of Detroit** online giving (Our Sunday Visitor) that program is ending and you will need to sign up with Faith Direct

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**For more information,
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Text or call 810-814-0047

Email mikecars10@franciscanministryinc.org

Adoration

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Wednesday 11am - 2pm
in the Parish Office Chapel

Prayer Group

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A Program to Help Couples Heal and Renew their Marriages

Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage? Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse? Are you constantly fighting? Or, do you simply shut down? Have you thought about separation or divorce? Does talking about it make it worse?

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There is an alternative to divorce!

This could be the best gift you ever give yourself, your spouse, your children, your family and your friends!!

Please pass this information on to anyone who you suspect might be a hurting couple

The next Retrouvaille program begins Friday, August 15th, in Farmington Hills, Michigan.

For confidential information or to register call 800-470-2230

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Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish and
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Month of July Service Project

FOOD DRIVE



All food donated will help the Community Grocery Bags

Purchase one or more items, you do not have to build the whole bag

Fruit:	1 or 2 cans
Vegetables:	2 cans
Soup:	2 cans
Juice:	1 can or 2 Juice boxes
Meats:	2 cans of Tuna, Salmon, Chicken, or Beef
Cereal:	1 bag
Hot Cereal:	1 container of oatmeal or grits
Canned Meals:	Spaghetti o's, Beef stew, Chili, Pork & Beans, Etc
Dry Items:	1 bag of Rice
	1 bag dry beans
	1 box Macaroni & Cheese
	2 different kinds of Dry pasta or noodle
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	1 can spaghetti sauce or 1 canned tomatoes
	1 package of dry Milk

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

Mass Times

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

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

ST LUCY

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

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