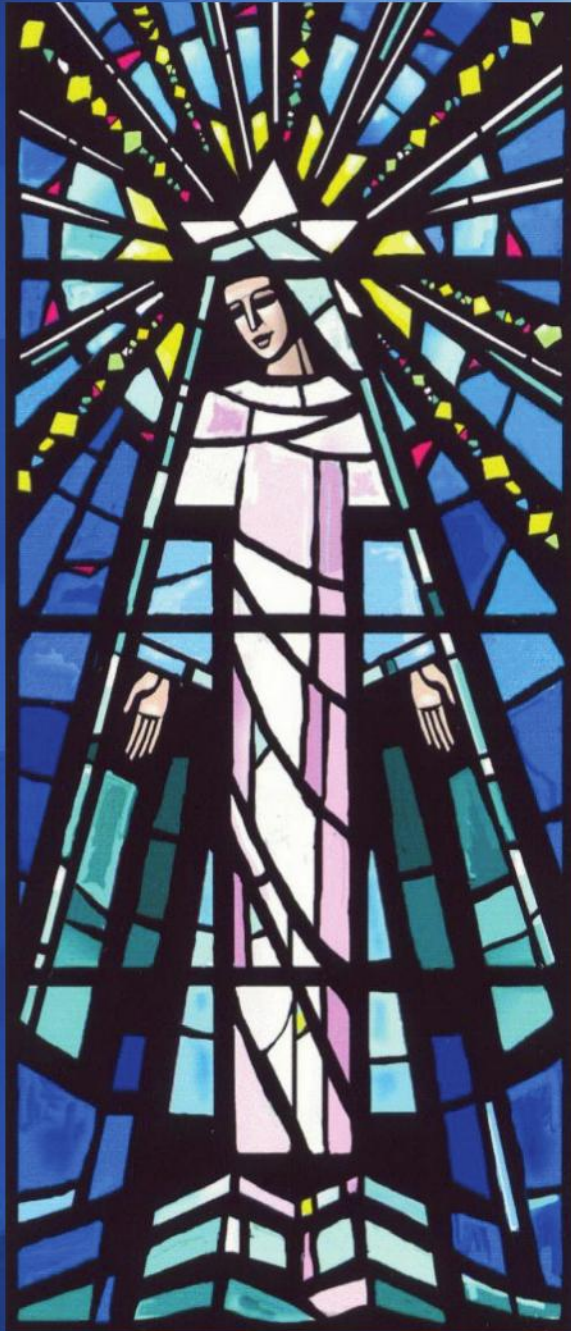


Our Lady Star of The Sea

August 10, 2025
OLSOS.org



With Mary,
we bring people to Christ
to live the love of God

Nineteenth 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

Many of you have asked, "How was your vacation?"

Thanks for asking!! It was very enjoyable and very relaxing.

One of the days I happened to turn on the television show, "Live with Kelly & Mark" [Had nothing to do and I often hear about various daytime shows that I can never really stop and watch.] Mark Consuelos, the American actor, producer, and talk show host with his wife, Kelly Ripa. He made a very good distinction about what people and families do when it is time to take a break from everyday life. They are now empty nesters. He said, when you have children, you don't take a vacation, but you go on a trip. When you are empty nesters, you go on a vacation! Many of you know how that is! With kids, you are constantly doing things and getting things ready for the children's activities for the next few hours, and then it is usually one thing after another. How many of you upon returning home said, "now I need a vacation!" How true!!

To have a vacation we must be able to "vacate." Vacate the house, empty the mind, put ourselves someplace else mentally and physically. That is so very difficult to do even if we do not have those who are dependent upon us for their very life!

I really had a great vacation because I was able to vacate! Being up north past Alpena, there is not the hustle and bustle, and attractions like on the comparable west side of the state! If I had to go to the store, it is a 25-minute car ride to the store. There is not much to do where I stay except to relax, watch the trees grow, enjoy summer breezes, and look at a lot of nature!!! I had no worries back here. [Star has a great staff, and I trust their work and what needs to get done.] I knew everything and everybody was taken care. The weather was great. There was no setting of alarm clocks and, certainly, multiple naps a day as necessary! There were very few tasks I had to do!! What does it say when you sit in the garage and just watch a rain shower? Pretty relaxing!!

So, it was a very good and relaxing vacation. Now is it "back to work."

**** Remember this Friday, August 15, is a holyday of obligation, the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Masses here at Star will be Thursday at 7 pm and Friday morning at 7:30 am.**

**** We ask for God's blessing on our Vacation Bible School this week. So many thanks to all the people who contributed to this great event! Please keep everyone in your prayers.**

Have a great week.

Msgr. Gary Smetanka



Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Masses:
Thursday, August 14
at 7:00 pm
Friday, August 15
at 7:30 am



Help Us Preserve Our Parish History!

Do you have wedding, baptismal, school, or parish event photos tucked away in albums or drawers? We'd love to see them!

We're gathering photos from all decades—especially the early years (1950s, 60s, 70s)—for our archives and to use as parish stock photos in the future. Whether it's a cherished family moment or a snapshot from around

campus, your memories are an important part of our story.

If you have photos you'd be willing to share, please send scanned copies to Annie Schunior at a.schunior@stargp.org.

Holy Hour

September 1
HOLY HOUR IS CANCELLED

THE KIDS' BULLETIN

<https://thekidsbulletin.com>

*A fun way for Catholic kids
to learn about the Faith every week.*
Available in the gathering space or www.olsos.org



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



Mass Intentions

Monday, August 11

7:30 a.m. +Mary Veltri

Tuesday, August 12

7:30 a.m. +Geraldine Korth

Wednesday, August 13

7:30 a.m. +Jean Ebner
+Edmund Ahee, Sr.
+Eva Metry

Thursday, August 14

7:30 a.m. +Peter Ebner
7:00 p.m. OLSOS Parishioners

Friday, August 15

7:30 a.m. +Virginia Mushenski

Saturday, August 16

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

Sunday, August 17

8:00 a.m. OLSOS Parishioners

9:30 a.m. +Walter Bryzik

11:30 a.m. +Virginia Mushenski
+Lillian Licata

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

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.

Please pray for:

In memoriam

8/11/1969 Thomas Union
8/11/1972 Rose Colangelo
8/11/1986 Frank Colker
8/11/2004 Shirley Ann Borgan
8/11/2013 Ronald Garner
8/11/2013 Ida Piccoro
8/12/1976 Joseph Grimaudo, Sr.
8/12/1984 Carl Grewe
8/12/1984 Phyllis Kortas
8/12/1991 Angus Redmond
8/12/2003 John Aley
8/12/2005 Anne Delsener
8/13/1991 Caroline Garavaglia
8/13/1999 Gladys Touchton
8/13/2009 Betty Lou Bergamo
8/14/1965 Dolores Bueker
8/14/1981 Frank Hill
8/14/1993 Otto Lenhard
8/14/1997 Maxine Clements
8/15/1967 Thomas J. Formella
8/15/1974 Edwin Monnig
8/15/1994 Sylvester Shea
8/15/2008 Joseph Prano
8/15/2009 Valentine Stano
8/15/2010 Frances Rustryzk
8/15/2011 Helen Gaynor
8/16/1974 Clarence J. Tote
8/16/1985 Sam Frontera
8/16/1997 Mary Ann Stanish
8/16/2024 James Clancy
8/17/1984 John Gallagher
8/17/2007 John DiSante

the sick

Jennie Barzotti
Maria Buscemi
Jeanne Collins
John (Jack) Carolin
Ruth Flynn
Cheryl Fox
Greg DeMars
Barbara Drader
Kaynoa Dunn
Mary Anne Gargaro
Christine Mathis
Tom Moceri
Angie Rubino
Cathy Spindler
Charles Spindler
JoAnne Spring
Alexis Suppanz
E. Noreen Szymborski
Joyce Tranchida
Linda Vitale

those in the military

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



SJHelpers.org 800-303-5075

St. Joseph's Helpers is a nonprofit organization, founded on Christian values, and made up of dedicated men and women who volunteer their time and talents to help those in need feel safe and secure in their homes through basic home maintenance and repairs. Our ministry focuses on serving our seniors, people with disabilities, veterans, and those who simply need a helping hand. We are so grateful for the support we received from your parish during our last visit—your generosity and encouragement make our mission possible. St. Joseph's Helpers has assisted clients with essential home needs such as installing grab bars and handrails, repairing leaky faucets, or even just changing light bulbs. We have many volunteer opportunities available, and for as little as two hours a month, you can make a meaningful and lasting difference in someone's life.

Please visit our table when we visit on **August 16/17 to learn more about our ministry.** Whether you would like to volunteer, need our services, or can support our work with a donation, **THANK YOU** for helping us serve more clients in need.



Please donate
your clean
bottles and

cans to the

Knights of Columbus

Money collected will be used to help
numerous organizations.

Donations may be brought to Mary's
Garden Vestibule.

For more information,
please contact: Dennis Hyduk at
313.969.7650



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August 15-17, 2025 Farmington Hills, Michigan
HELPOURMARRIAGE.ORG 800-470-2230

Catholic Service Appeal 2025

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



CSA 2025

Our Lady Star of the Sea 2025 goal:
\$163,000

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Please use the envelope in the mailing, in your envelope packet or by filling out the form below and return in the collection basket or the office.

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The Archdiocese of Detroit CSA

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Email or Phone number: _____

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and would like to make: **Monthly or Quarterly** payments.

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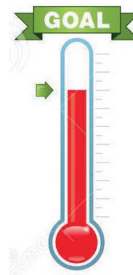


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CSA 2025

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



CSA Totals as of August 5, 2025

CSA 2025 UPDATE	
pledges to date	\$140,953.00
% of goal	86%
% of families	31%
Short	-22,047.00

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



**Don't miss the latest
news from the Parish!**

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





HOME FROM ROME!

Thank You for Your Prayers!



We're back from our pilgrimage to Italy for the Jubilee of Young People—and what an incredible journey it was! From walking the streets of Rome to praying with young people from around the world, our hearts are full.

Thank you for your prayers and support throughout our travels. We truly felt your love carrying us through each moment.

Please continue to pray that the seeds planted during this pilgrimage will continue to grow in the lives of our youth, our leaders, and our parishes.

Grazie!

VBS STARTS THIS WEEK!

Please keep our campers, volunteers, and leaders in your prayers as we dive into a fun and faith-filled week together!



Faith Formation Registration

2025-2026 School Year

Grades 1-8

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!**

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.



SCAN HERE

linktr.ee/StarFaithFormation

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

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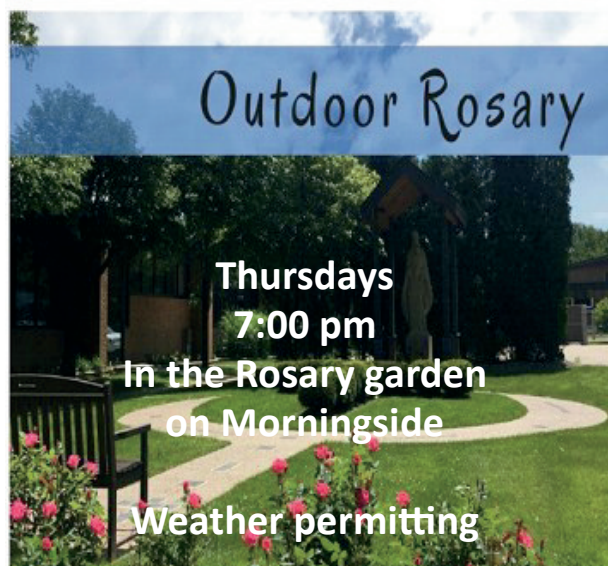
Prayer for the Assumption of Mary

Father in heaven,
all creation rightly gives you praise,
for all life and all holiness come from you.
In the plan of your wisdom
she who bore the Christ in her womb
was raised body and soul in glory to be with
him in heaven.
May we follow her example in reflecting your
holiness
and join in her hymn of endless love and
praise.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen

<https://www.catholic.org/prayers/prayer.php?p=1160>



Outdoor Rosary

**Thursdays
7:00 pm**

**In the Rosary garden
on Morningside**

Weather permitting

FAITH DIRECT

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.



Sign up today by scanning the QR code,
Text "ENROLL" to
313-887-6612 or visit Faith.direct/M1044

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



Join the Secular Franciscan Order (OFS)

Are you seeking a deeper connection with your faith and a community that shares your commitment to living the Gospel? The Secular Franciscan Order invites you to join us in our journey of Faith, Fraternity, and Service. Embrace the spirit of St. Francis of Assisi and make a difference in the world around you.

**For more information,
contact Mike Carsten OFS**

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

**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

Women and Men Socks and Underwear Donations

Let's help the less fortunate,
by donating socks and underwear.

Women – all sizes needed

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!



Join Fr. Tim Birney on a
Pilgrimage to
Catholic England
April 8 -17, 2026
\$5,899
(per person/all inclusive)

I invite you to join me on a pilgrimage to the
historically Catholic country of England.

We'll walk in the footsteps of
Sts. Thomas Beckett and Thomas More,
visit the towns of London, Stratford,
Canterbury, Rochester, Oxford and Bath.

Lastly, we'll grow in faith, friendship and
appreciation for merry old England!

Only 20 spots remain!

Please contact:

Fr. Tim Birney at: tbirney@qvdomine.org
or 313-486-3836 for more in
formation and registration.

Stewardship Thoughts

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Faith in God connects today's Scripture readings. In the Book of Wisdom, God grants those who are faithful boldness against their foes. The Letter to the Hebrews teaches us that *faith is the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen*. In St. Luke's Gospel, our Lord, alluding to His final coming, professes: *Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival. These faith-filled servants will not be caught off guard because they have trusted and put their faith in our Lord and Savior. Jesus calls us to discipleship — to faith — beginning with our Baptism. Throughout our life, Jesus continues to knock at the door of our hearts. Will we let Him in, personalizing our relationship with Him? In an ongoing faith-conversion, we deepen this friendship with Christ when we partake in the Eucharistic celebration of the Mass and receive Holy Communion, make daily quiet time for prayer and Scripture study, evangelize our brothers and sisters to draw them close to Jesus, and perform acts of service to our parish and the poor.*



Our Lady Star of the Sea 8th Grade Graduating

of
1975

50th REUNION

Saturday, November 29, 2025

Lochmoor Club, Grosse Pointe Woods

5PM – 9PM

Please RSVP Yes or No by August 31, 2025
to: sailors50year@gmail.com

Questions or comments, please feel free to text or call anyone on the committee:

Mike LeFevre:	(586) 944-7584
Mike Leshia:	(313) 207-5432
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Julie Eugenio Ahee:	(313) 300-9524
John Quinlan:	(586) 524-7980

\$50/person in advance by **October 1** covers food, tax, and gratuities. *Cash bar available.* Instructions for electronic payment will be forthcoming.

Looking forward to seeing you, sharing memories,
and having a GREAT TIME!

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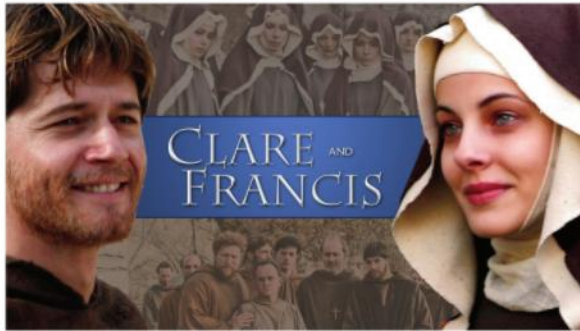
Life for Life: Maximilian Kolbe

After escaping from Auschwitz, a man hears the tragic news about ten random inmates sentenced by the Nazis to death as a punishment for his escape—one of whom is Fr. Maximilian Kolbe.

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An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE



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Clare and Francis

This outstanding movie is unique among films about St. Francis because of the historical accuracy of the story and its authentic spirit of joy and piety so characteristic of Francis, as well as the major role played by Clare. Both founded major religious orders, and together they inspired many to follow their radical call to live the Gospel.

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The Assumption of Mary

The Assumption of Mary, body and soul in Heavenly glory, highlights the power of God and Christ's victory over sin and death for Mary's soul. Learn about this great mystery in Mysteries of the Rosary.

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Scripture Readings

For the Week of August 10, 2025

Sunday	Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22; Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or Heb 11:1-2, 8-12; Lk 12:32-48 or Lk 12:35-40
Monday	Memorial of Saint Clare, Virgin Dt 10:12-22; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15 19-20; Mt 17:22-27
Tuesday	Dt 31:1-8; Dt 32:3-4ab, 7, 8, 9 and 12; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
Wednesday	Dt 34:1-12; Ps 66:1-3a, 5 and 8, 16-17, Mt 18:15-20
Thursday	Memorial of Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr Jos 3: 7-10a, 11, 13-17; Ps 114: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt 18:21-19:1
Friday	Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary <i>Vigil:</i> 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28 <i>Day:</i> Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56
Saturday	Jos 24:14-29; Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 11, Mt 19:13-15
Sunday	Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53

Thresholds of Hope

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PRIEST IN SOLIDUM

Fr. Eric Fedewa

586-777-5610

Mass Times

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.

Daily: MWFS 8:30 a.m. T 7:00 p.m.

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PRIESTS IN SOLIDUM

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.

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

PRIEST IN SOLIDUM (Moderator)

Msgr. Gary Smetanka

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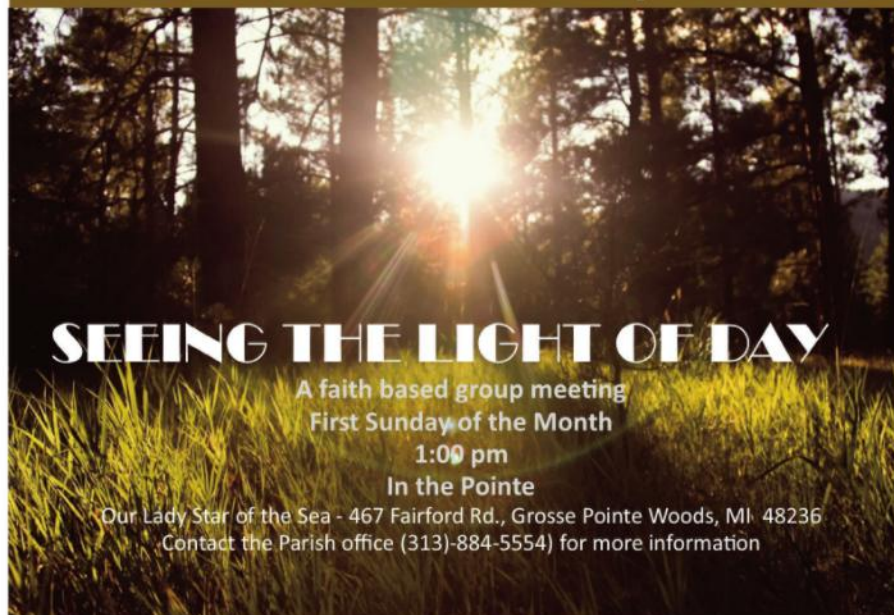
Mass Times

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00, 9:30 and 11:30 a.m.

Daily: MTWTHF 7:30 a.m.

Bereavement Group



SEEING THE LIGHT OF DAY

A faith based group meeting

First Sunday of the Month

1:00 pm

In the Pointe

Our Lady Star of the Sea - 467 Fairford Rd., Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236

Contact the Parish office (313)-884-5554 for more information

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