

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

March 8, 2026

OLSOS.org



THIRD 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

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.

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.



How is your Lent going so far? We are at the half way point and soon heading into the home stretch. If you are been slipping in some of your Lenten practices, you still have time to get back on track and finish the season strong! Remember, God is always there for you. He is always there to receive what you have to offer, even if it is "late." What you have to give you might think it's not much, but you know what God can do with what we offer

him with a sincere heart! He can multiple the gifts. He can strengthen what we give Him. He can fill us with so much grace, or forgiveness, or mercy, or healing, or humility after we give Him our offerings, our sacrifices, our hurts, our failures, etc. When we empty ourselves, it only gives Him the opportunity to fill us up with what *we need*. He knows everything and He certainly knows us.

This Sunday we hear the very moving Gospel account of the woman of Samaria meeting Jesus at mid day at the well. It was a transformative meeting with Jesus. It changed her life. She went needing and looking for water but after meeting Jesus, she left her water jug at the well and invited others to come and meet him. Jesus knew her life and knew her heart. Sometimes we can be afraid of that, yet it is the awakening that pulls us deeper into the life giving presence of Jesus who gives us what we need to receive everlasting life.

It is never too late to encounter Jesus, at Mass, in the sacraments (e.g., confession), in the lives of our families, friends, and strangers. Lent is the perfect time to let the Lord journey with us as we sort out our life and seek the Good that God has for us.

** There have been numerous reports of the influx of new Catholics coming into the Church this Easter. That is primarily through being baptized and receiving the other Sacraments of initiation of Confirmation and Eucharist. Over 1,400 people will be welcomed into full communion in the Church in the archdiocese of Detroit this Easter, the biggest number in 21 years. The Diocese of Lansing is likewise experiencing the largest number of converts and adult baptisms in 20 years! France is seeing a huge influx of new Catholics this coming Easter. What a great witness in the lives of these people responding to the movement the Holy Spirit in their lives.

If you know any adult who has not been baptized and is seeking the faith, please let us know. Same if there are adults who might have only received baptism and is now desiring the other sacraments, please let us know. A "new class" of people seeking this action in their life will begin soon, as we participate in the process with St. Joan of Arc. So please let us know and we can have further conversations about their faith and help them understand the process that ultimately brings them into the Church through the sacraments.

** Please note this Tuesday I will be in church from 1-2 pm for private confessions.

** Thanks to all of you who have been supporting our Fish Fry. We have had great turnouts and the compliments are very much appreciated. Each week to try to improve on the previous week to make the Fish Fry an enjoyable and delicious experience!

** This coming Thursday and Friday, our school is presenting, "Annie, jr." Our children always do a great job in bringing musicals to life on our stage. Please call to see if tickets are still available for the shows. I know there were selling out fast!

** Don't forget to join the "spotlight" at our upcoming parish auction, Saturday, March 21, at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club. Always a wonderful night of community, terrific hospitality, and generous givers to help various projects important to our parish and school. Don't forget to get your chance in the big raffle!!

Blessings on your week and be a blessing to others.

Msgr. Gary Smetanka

Celebrating the Sacred Triduum

Holy Thursday - April 2

(No 7:30 am Mass, Chapel closes at 8:00 am for the Triduum)

7:00 pm - Mass of the Lord's Supper

Procession follows with the Blessed Sacrament to the Pointe
Private Adoration in the Pointe until 10:00 pm

Good Friday - April 3

(Church opens at 9:00 pm for private prayer and devotions)

1:00 pm - Stations of the Cross

1:30 pm - Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

Followed by the Divine Mercy Novena
Private Veneration of the Cross
and Private Prayer until 6:00 pm

Holy Saturday - April 4

Noon - Blessing of the Food

(No confessions. No 4:00 pm Mass.
Church will be closed until 7:30 pm)

8:30 pm - The Easter Vigil

Blessing of the Easter Fire and Candle
Liturgy of the Word
Liturgy of the Eucharist

Easter Sunday - April 5

8:00 am , 9:30 am, & 11:30 am Masses

Adoration

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Wednesday

11:00 am—2:00 pm

Prayer Group

every Wednesday at 3:00 pm

in the OLSOS prayer & Eucharistic Chapel
on Morningside,
to pray the Rosary & the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

We pray for world peace and all the parish intentions

Mass Intentions

Monday, March 9

7:30 a.m. +Georgette Zahar
+Joseph & Rosalie Baratta

Tuesday, March 10

7:30 a.m. +Jack Szpytman

Wednesday, March 11

7:30 a.m. +Connie Brooks
+Patrick Carron

Thursday, March 12

7:30 a.m. +Lillian Rogers

Friday, March 13

8:30 a.m. +All those entering the
Church this Easter

Saturday, March 14

4:00 p.m. +Joseph Smetanka
+Edward A. Moeller
+Joseph Zainea
+Francine Kramar Quasarano

Sunday, March 15

8:00 a.m. OLSOS Parishioners

9:30 a.m. +Catherine Jaboro
+Walt Bryzik
Betty Ahee

11:30 a.m. +Dean Tabin
+Lillian Cleveland

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.

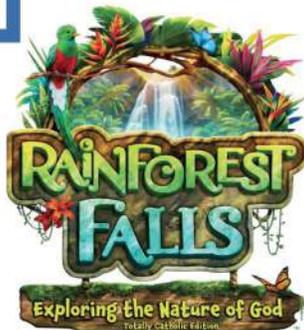
Mass intentions may be arranged by coming into the parish office, online at www.olsos.org/mass-intentions, or by scanning the QR code



Vacation Bible School

August 10th-13th

Registration
Opens
April 13th



**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED**



Lent invites us to journey through the deserts of our lives, the moments of struggle, sacrifice, and silence. In the quiet and the challenges, we encounter God’s presence, learn to rely on His grace, and grow in faith. Just as the desert gives way to new life, so too does our journey of Lent lead us to the joy of Resurrection, where hope is renewed, and life is transformed in Christ.

Adult Bible Study

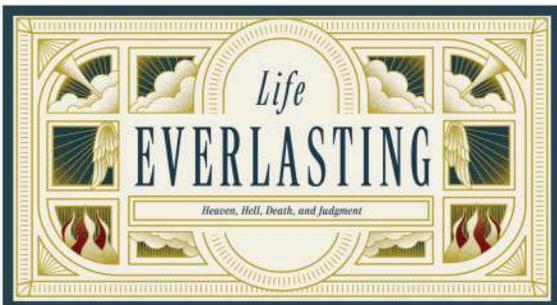
This bible study explores what the Church teaches about death, judgment, heaven, and hell—revealing how an eternal perspective fills everyday life with hope and purpose.



olsos.org/ff/adults

Evening Session Only

Thursday Evenings: 7:00-8:30pm | Apr 16 - May 14



REGISTER BY QR CODE
OR
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TO THE PARISH OFFICE

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone Number: _____

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



Easter Flower and Decoration Donations

Honor your loved ones this year by giving towards the flowers that will be used to beautify our church for this year's Easter celebration.

Please use your envelope that is included in with your weekly offering or place your donation in a plain envelope marked "Easter decoration donation" with the name of the person(s) you would like remembered. All names will be listed in the Easter bulletin if received by:
Monday, March 23rd

Donation made in memory/honor of :

Offered by: _____
 Env # _____

Annie Jr.

March 12 & 13
 Seven O'Clock PM

Our Lady Star of the Sea School
 Presents **Annie Jr.**
 Book by Thomas Meehan
 Music by Charles Strause
 Lyrics by Martin Charnin

Advance Tickets On Sale at the
 School Office: 467 Fairford Road
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2026

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FISH FRY Friday

MARCH 13, 20, 27
5:00 PM - 7:00PM

DINE IN OR CARRY OUT
 PRICES: LARGE PLATE \$19.00
 SMALL PLATE \$12.00
 GRILLED CHEESE DINNER \$6.00
 CHILDREN UNDER 4 YEARS OF AGE EAT FOR FREE

DINNERS:
 BAKED COD* OR COMBO (BAKED COD WITH FRIED SHRIMP)
 FRIED FISH OR COMBO (FRIED FISH WITH FRIED SHRIMP)
 FRIED SHRIMP
 GRILLED CHEESE
 MAC AND CHEESE

CHOICE OF EITHER: BAKED POTATO*, OR FRENCH FRIES
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 olsos.org 467 Fairford Rd., GPW 313-884-5554

Volunteers Needed Friday Fish Frys

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA
 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
 The Pointe
 March 13, 20, 27

- We appreciate your willingness to help. If a spot is not available, please do not show up without prior approval.
- Come volunteer 1 or more weeks. Volunteer all night or just one shift.
- Volunteers are always needed to help with clean up starting at 7:30pm
- Volunteers need to have Protecting God's Children Certification

to volunteer please visit: <https://shorturl.at/2JtDF>
 or scan the qr code

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

PARISH & SCHOOL

Lent 2026

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.

CONFESSION TIMES

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

Tuesday, March 10: 1:00 PM

Monday, March 16: 6:30 PM

Tuesday, March 24: 6:30 PM

*Thursday, March 26: 1:00 PM: *Our Lady of Hope*

*Monday, March 30: 7:00 PM: *St. Joan of Arc*

**Vicariate Services marked above.*

See future bulletins & the website for added dates.

ADORATION & HOLY HOUR

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.

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

ST. FRANCIS CABRINI CLINIC

St. Francis Cabrini Clinic provides compassionate, holistic healthcare to underserved communities in Detroit, serving those who often fall through the medical and social safety net. Rooted in dignity, faith, and excellence, the clinic offers education, prevention, and treatment at no cost—while also helping patients connect with essential resources that support long-term well-being.
DETROIT, MI | www.cabriniclinic.com

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.



Please pray for:

In memoriam

the parishioners that have had their funerals at OLSOS.

3/9/1962	Arthur DeClercq
3/9/1972	Frank Kasper
3/9/1974	Thomas Lynch
3/9/1983	Blanche Meier
3/9/1988	Beatrice Patek
3/9/1995	Annette Corrigan
3/9/2001	Paul Dionne
3/9/2007	Leonard Ulatowski
3/9/2017	Frances Goitz
3/10/1968	Stella C. Davis
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

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
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the sick

Jennie Barzotti
Victor Bontomasi
Maria Buscemi
Jeanne Collins
Diana Dargan
Andrea Drouillard
Barbara Drader
Ruth Flynn
Cheryl Fox
Mary Anne Gargaro
Christine Mathis
Carol Nowinski
Angie Rubino
Alexandra (Hathaway) Schwegler
Rosalie Soosik
Mary Spatt
Cathy Spindler
JoAnne Spring
Alexis Suppanz
E. Noreen Szymborski
Peter Taormina, Sr.
Joyce Tranchida
Linda Vitale
Mike Walter

those in the military

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

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for Family and Friends of
Loved Ones with
Memory Loss



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Give Online!

Giving is now easier than ever with ParishSoft Giving! You can donate securely by **text**, **QR code**, or **online**:

- **Text-to-Give:** Simply text "**GIVE**" to **313-887-6612** and follow the quick setup instructions.
- **Scan to Give:** Use your phone's camera to scan the **QR code below** and be taken directly to our secure giving page.
- **Give Online:** Visit our website at **giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/FD-1044** to make a one-time or recurring gift.

Your generosity sustains our parish mission and outreach.

Thank you for your continued support!



Scripture Readings

For the Week of March 8, 2026

Sunday	Third Sunday of Lent Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Rm 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 or Jn 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42
Monday	2 Kings 5:1-15ab; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday	Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35
Wednesday	Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15- 16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19
Thursday	Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8- 9; Lk 11:14-23
Friday	Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc -9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17; Mk 12:28-34
Saturday	Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab; Lk 18:9-14
Sunday	Fourth Sunday of Lent 1 Sam 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a, Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Eph 5:8- 14; Jn 9:1-41 or Jn 9:1, 6-9, 13 -17, 34-38

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Fr. Bob Voiland
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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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Fr. Jim Commyn
586-771-8300

Mass Times

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Sunday: 10:00 am
Daily: MF 9:00 a.m. W 12:00 p.m.

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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
313-884-5554

Mass Times

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00, 9:30 and 11:30 a.m.
Daily: MTWTH 7:30 a.m. F 8:30 a.m.

SERVICE PROJECT

Helping Our Neighbors This Lent
The Faith Formation After-School Program
will be making lunch bags for those in need
in and around our neighborhood.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

Please donate 1 or 2 of the following items:

- Snack Pack fruit cups (pack of 6)
- Snack Pack applesauce (pack of 6)
- Soft Nutri-Grain bars (box of 8)
- Variety pack of cheese or peanut butter with crackers
- Small 8 oz bottled water
- White socks (1 package or 2 pairs)

DONATION DETAILS

- Items due by March 16
- Place donations in the large white box in the gathering space

♥ Thank you for your generosity and support! ♥



Knights Across the Country Are
Encouraging Families to Attend
Good Friday Services on April 3rd!
Join Our Council Members and Their
Families:

1:00PM Stations of the Cross
1:30PM Liturgy of the
Lord's Passion

Put Your Faith into Action –
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Weekend of
March 28-29

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every Mass

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