

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

March 15, 2026

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FOURTH 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.



Earlier this month, all the priests gathered again at Sacred Heart Major Seminary to look at and refine the various pastorate models that was presented by all the “planning areas” previously. Let me go back. In mid-January, for three days, the priests met to discuss and propose various “pastorate” models for the archdiocese come July 2027. A pastorate may be one parish or multiple parishes but under one pastor, while other priests may also be assigned to the pastorate to engage in the pastoral ministry to the parishioners. The past two months, all the various models were reviewed, then presented to the priests as a whole before they are printed in the upcoming parish “listening sessions” during the next few months.

Each model was filled with many statistics. We saw parish Mass counts and the capacity of each church. We saw other information regarding the parish like sacramental statistics, i.e., how many baptisms, first holy communions, weddings, funerals, etc. We also saw either the increase (or decrease) of the general population in an area contrasted with the increase (or decrease) of registered Catholic parishioners during the past 10 years. It was amazing to me the huge difference in some areas of the 6 county archdiocese. For instance, one area had a 36% decrease in registered Catholics in the past 10 years. I was also struck by the very few churches who had a high percentage of filling their church building capacity. The huge majority of parishes have less than 50% of church capacity each weekend, even by having 2 or 3 or 4 Masses. For example, the church capacity might be 500 people yet only 247 people come all weekend throughout 3 Masses. In reality, that parish certainly does not need 3 Masses. The general conclusion is almost every one of our 212 parishes need to reduce their Masses and bring the community together in fewer Masses.

In the archdiocesan restructuring, there will certainly be a reduction of “pastorates,” much lower than our present 212 parishes that exist now. In addition, we face the reality that in 10 years there will be 100 fewer priests, certainly not enough to “fill” the positions of all the parishes we have today. The bottom line is... the priests admit something needs to be done.

You will get a chance to see the various pastorate models during some upcoming “parish listening sessions.” Our parish listening sessions will be after Easter. It will give you a chance to understand more of this process and then review the couple pastorate models proposed for the planning area that includes Star of the Sea. More information will be forthcoming.

** I hope to see many of you at the Auction this Saturday at the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club. Always a great time! Don't forget to purchase raffle tickets for fantastic prizes.

** Think now how you can attending one or all of the holy week liturgies celebrating the Sacred Paschal Triduum. You will find the schedule on the next page.

Don't give up on your Lenten promises! Ask the Lord to help you and continue to seek the Lord in all you do.

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

In the parish office chapel

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 16

7:30 a.m. +Anthony & Margherita Vitale

Tuesday, March 17

7:30 a.m. +Bud Treder
+Patricia Korth

Wednesday, March 18

7:30 a.m. Archbishop Edward Weisenburger

Thursday, March 19

7:30 a.m. +Deceased Members of the
Ronzi Family

Friday, March 20

8:30 a.m. +Mental Health Workers

Saturday, March 21

4:00 p.m. +William C. Gudenau
+John & Carmela Brucia
+Ella Fox

Sunday, March 22

8:00 a.m. OLSOS Parishioners
+Gene Arjeski
+Edwin Stedem

9:30 a.m. +Catherine Jaboro
+Patricia Vitale

11:30 a.m. +Jean Marie Williams
+Dean Tabin

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



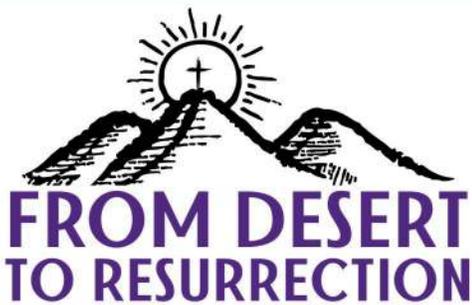
Vacation Bible School

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

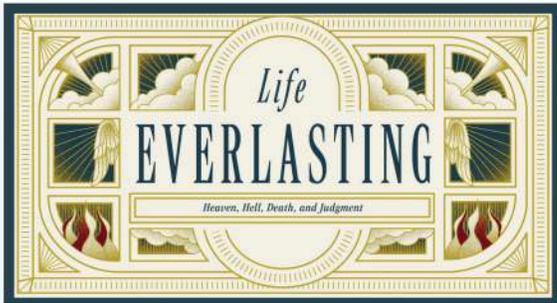
This bible study explores what the Church teaches about death, judgment, heaven, and hell—revealing how an eternal perspective fills everyday life with hope and purpose.



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: _____

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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




**Volunteers Needed
Friday Fish Frys**

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






**FISH FRY
Friday**

MARCH 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:
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FRIED FISH OR COMBO (FRIED FISH WITH FRIED SHRIMP)
FRIED SHRIMP
GRILLED CHEESE
MAC AND CHEESE

CHOICE OF EITHER: BAKED POTATO*, OR FRENCH FRIES
OR MAC AND CHEESE
ALL DINNERS COME WITH SALAD OR COLE SLAW, AND A ROLL

COMPLIMENTARY BEVERAGES -
COFFEE, LEMONADE, ICED TEA (DINE IN ONLY)
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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! ❤️



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: _____

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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.

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.

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

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.

3/16/1971	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
3/17/1983	Helen Wonsik
3/17/1986	Ann Evans
3/17/1989	Cecelia Doyle
3/17/1994	Thomas Roy
3/17/2004	Quirin Zehetmair
3/17/2012	Carroll B. (Bud) Treder
3/18/1991	Madelena Hochbein
3/18/1997	Edward Bober
3/18/2002	Jack Gehlert
3/18/2005	Ann Reno
3/18/2025	Patricia Bingham
3/19/1961	Bertha Mannis
3/19/1997	Richard Barnett
3/19/1999	Liguori McFawn
3/19/2001	Mabel Desbiens
3/19/2002	Rose Trentacosta
3/19/2002	Mary Baitenger
3/19/2002	Florence Sutherland
3/19/2016	Patricia Reed
3/20/1965	Gertrude Brogan
3/20/1980	Ida Zuliani
3/20/1998	Theresa Kelly
3/20/2005	Marguerite Baker
3/20/2017	Sheila Farrar
3/20/2023	Dorothy McRill
3/21/1971	Joseph S. Markey
3/21/1981	Mary Mullan
3/21/1982	Lucille Janson
3/21/1983	Charles Wyzkoski
3/21/1991	Nettie J. Spezia
3/21/2009	Raymond Jeanguenat
3/21/2019	Anne Boyle
3/22/1968	Adele Melvin
3/22/1976	Cyril Lingeman
3/22/1982	John Louisgnau
3/22/1998	John Binder
3/22/2004	Lillian Cusmano
3/22/2004	Joseph Versical

the sick

Jennie Barzotti
Victor Bontomasi

Maria Buscemi
Jeanne Collins
Diana Dargan
Barbara Drader
Andrea Drouillard
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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Give Online!

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- **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 15, 2026

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

Monday

Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b; Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday

Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday

Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-30

Thursday

Solemnity of Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

2 Sam 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29; Rm 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Friday

Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday

Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12; Jn 7:40-53

Sunday

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; Rm 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 or Jn 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45



With only one week to The red carpet is nearly rolled out, be sure to visit the event website to preview this year's incredible auction packages — from once-in-a-lifetime experiences to exclusive Star favorites. The Silent Auction opens Monday, March 16, giving everyone the opportunity to participate — whether or not you are attending the event. Browse, plan your strategy, and get ready to step into the Spotlight www.OLSOSAuction.org

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Drawing 3/21/26

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1/\$25 5/\$100

20/\$300



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

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Msgr. G. Michael Bugarin

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586-777-3670

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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

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.

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

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Mass Times

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.

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

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

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Msgr. Gary Smetanka

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Mass Times

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

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for Family and Friends of
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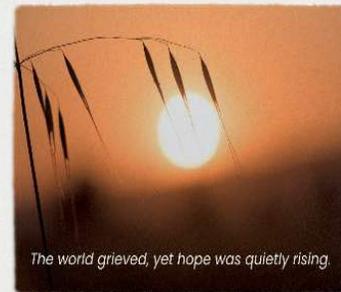


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SEEING THE LIGHT OF DAY
FAITH BASED
BEREAVMENT GROUP



**First Sunday of the Month
1:00 pm In the Pointe**

April 5th group is cancelled for Easter

Our Lady Star of the Sea - 467 Fairford Rd., GPW 48236
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