

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

MAY 3, 2026

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

PREPARE A

place for you.

JOHN 14:1

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TO LIVE THE LOVE OF GOD

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GENERAL INFORMATION

MASS TIMES

SAT	4:00 PM
SUN	8:00 AM
	9:30 AM
	11:30 AM
MON-THU	7:30 AM
FRI	8:30 AM

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

MON - THU	8:00 AM - 4:00PM
FRI	8:00 AM - 12:00 PM
SAT-SUN	CLOSED
HOLIDAYS	CLOSED

FAITH FORMATION OFFICE

313-884-7407

BAPTISMS

Please call the faith Formation office during the last months of pregnancy to arrange for a baptism class and to 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

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, for at least 3 months before prep can begin.

Archdiocesan law requires advance notice of at least six months.

PARISH REGISTRATION

New to the parish?

Register at the Parish Office or online at OLSOS.org. Please keep your contact information up to date by notifying the office of any address changes. **Adults age 21 and over** must register individually 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

Congratulations to those who are receiving Jesus for the first time this weekend! It is an exciting time for these young Catholics and their family. We have seen these young ones over the recent years come up at Holy Communion time with their parents and other family members, every Sunday, with their arms crossed over their hearts not being able to receive Jesus. How often I have seen them look at with that desire in their eyes, waiting for the day when they can receive what their parents come to receive Sunday after Sunday after Sunday. Today is their day! They have prepared for this day for some time. One significant step along the way took place last October when they participated in the Rite of Enrollment, signifying the start of a more intense preparation and study about Jesus in the Eucharist. Their parents have assisted them through their own participation in Sunday Eucharist every week. They have studied the parts of the Mass together. They have discussed what Jesus means to them. Now this day is finally here!

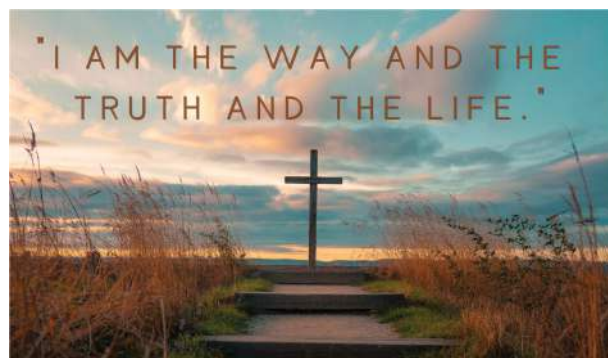
Those of us who have been receiving the Body and Blood of Jesus for many years know how much we need Jesus! Yes, we need Him every week as we go about our everyday life. God, in all His Wisdom, knows us, those He created. That is why He gave us the Ten Commandments as well as the teachings of the Church...He knows what we need and these commandments and teachings guide us for our good! God knows we need to have that weekly instruction through the Word of God as well as the nourishment we need in the Body and Blood of Christ! It also does our heart good to thank God each week for His amazing action in our lives!

This Sunday we hear our path to achieve eternal life in the gospel reading. Jesus said, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, then you will also know my Father." We know true joy can not be found in the things of this life. The true deep joy we so desire in our life is in the Lord, and we are nourished with the Body of Christ at Mass to keep us connected and in union with the Lord of Life.

** Hopefully the work on our gathering space roof will come to an end this week. There have been a few delays but we now the wait is worth it!

May you know the abundant blessings of the Lord this week, especially through the Eucharist!

Msgr. Gary Smetanka



Mass Intentions

Parish Listening Sessions—Coming Soon!

The next step in the Archdiocesan Restructuring process is for every parish in the Archdiocese of Detroit to host two parish listening sessions.

At these sessions, we will review potential models and provide feedback.

Our parish listening sessions will be:

June 2, 2026 at 7:00 pm in the Church or

June 4, 2026 at 7:00 pm in the Church

Please be sure to register here:

<https://bit.ly/4cABiAK>
 or use the QR code.



- Monday, May 4
7:30 a.m. Vocations
- Tuesday, May 5
7:30 am Students of OLSOS
- Wednesday, May 6
7:30 am +Ray & Kathleen Kettel
- Thursday, May 7
7:30 am +Anthony Vitale
- Friday, May 8
8:30 am +Mike Walter
- Saturday, May 9
2:00 pm Wedding: Mitchell Zacarias & Allison Stapleton
- 4:00 pm +Mary Lou LeFevre
+John & Carmela Brucia
+Judy Cooper
+Hank Ritter
- Sunday, May 10
8:00 am OLSOS Parishioners
+Robert Oswald
- 9:30 am +Catherine Jaboro
+Cecil Crouson
- 11:30 am +Rex & Del Otey
+Rose Isca
+Helen Mastay

Scripture Readings

For the Week of May 3, 2026


- Sunday Fifth Sunday of Easter**
Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; 1 Pt 2:4-9; Jn 14:1-12
- 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 8:5-8, 14-17; Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20; 1 Pt 3:15-18; Jn 14:15-21

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





Holy Hour

May 4

Holy Hour

has been Canceled

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

Prayer Group

every Wednesday at 3:00 pm

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

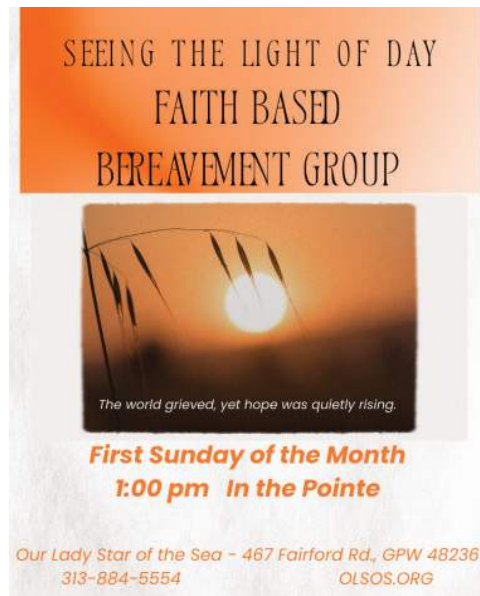
We pray for world peace and
all the parish intentions

Adoration

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Wednesday - 11:00 am — 2:00 pm

In the parish office chapel



Please Pray for:

5/7/2018

Patricia DeFoe

Mary Spatt

5/8/1970

Casimir Torzewski

Cathy Spindler

5/8/1971

Eugene Corriveau

JoAnne Spring

5/8/1994

Pauline Dierickx

Alexis Suppanz

5/8/2001

Joseph Franzem

E. Noreen Szymborski

5/8/2010

Jeanette DeHayes

Peter Taormina, Sr.

5/8/2010

Lorraine Kirchner Scott

Joyce Tranchida

5/8/2012

Viola Kaye

Linda Vitale

5/9/1976

Donald Koepsell

those in the military

5/9/1976

Anthony Verstraete

Connor Barthel

5/9/1978

George A. Rose

James Patrick Carrier

5/9/1979

John J. Gorman, Sr.

Josh Duffy

5/9/2016

Fedele "Phil" Saverino

Richard Shetler, III

5/9/2020

Louise Shaway

William F. Sottrel

5/10/2000

Ann Gehlert

John Walker

5/10/2001

Margaret Lombardo

5/10/2009

Harold Kain

5/10/2018

Marilyn Newa

5/10/2024

Susan Mullinger

the sick

Jennie Barzotti

Victor Bontomasi

Maria Buscemi

Jeanne Collins

Barbara Drader

Andrea Drouillard

Ruth Flynn

Cheryl Fox

Jim Francis

Mary Anne Gargaro

Christine Mathis

Carol Nowinski

Angie Rubino

Alexandra (Hathaway) Schwegler

Gary Snacker

Rosalie Soosik

In memoriam

la list of funerals we have had at OLSOS

5/4/1964

Katherine Langenderfer

5/4/2002

Edward Nowowiecki

5/4/2004

Ralph W. Wieme

5/4/2008

Louie Bulgarelli

5/4/2009

Nancy Chuba

5/4/2010

Edward Barbieri

5/4/2017

Robert Hackathorn

5/4/2017

Sean Downey

5/5/1963

John Seward

5/5/1967

Thomas Gahagan

5/5/1992

Bertha Fritsch

5/5/1992

Zygmund Mrowczynski

5/5/2015

Virginia Palazzola

5/6/1972

Angeline Spansky

5/6/1980

Nunzio DiClemente

5/6/1983

Martha DePaepe

5/6/1999

Raymond Oleszko

5/6/2014

Ida Stuhmueller

5/6/2016

Mary Colombo

5/6/2018

Michael Pokladek

5/6/2019

Gregory Laethem

5/6/2021

Virginia Coates

5/7/1963

Francis Parker

5/7/1972

Amy Assed

5/7/1996

Helen Hayosh

5/7/1998

Florestine Schmidt

5/7/2008

James Scott

5/7/2009

John Camisa

5/7/2012

James D'Alessandro

5/7/2016

Frederick Clark

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Archdiocesan Restructuring



Phase 1: Kickoff and Discernment

AUGUST 2025 TO MARCH 2026

Phase 2: Listening and Refinement

APRIL 2026 TO DECEMBER 2026

Phase 3: Preparation for Implementation

JANUARY 2027 TO JUNE 2027

Phase 4: Implementation

JULY 2027 TO JULY 2028

WHAT'S NEXT?

Listening Sessions Begin

MID-APRIL TO MID-JUNE

- Register for your listening session (RSVP) at [RESTRUCTURING.AOD.ORG](https://restructuring.aod.org) or your local parish
- Attend one of two listening sessions at your parish
- Provide feedback of the draft models for your local parish and planning area

What is a listening session?

Listening sessions are intended to gather feedback from parishioners about potential pastorate models — or groupings of parishes led by a pastor — involving their parish. Feedback during these listening sessions will be shared with the Core Planning Team and with Archbishop Weisenburger for his discernment.

Archdiocesan Restructuring Workbooks

WHERE DID THE DATA IN MY PARISH WORKBOOK COME FROM?

The information in each parish workbook has been reviewed by the priests at each parish for accuracy. Each parish was also offered the opportunity to add contextual information to aid in understanding the data presented as it relates to parish history and other factors of influence.

Some of the information in your parish workbook may be surprising or concerning to you. It's important to remember that this process is not reliant entirely on data alone. Many factors were considered by the priests who developed the models you'll see, including cultural considerations, different geographical areas, and the gifts or charisms of each parish community.

As of March 4, parish workbooks for each of the Archdiocese of Detroit's 209 parishes are available on restructuring.aod.org. Parishioners are invited to review the workbooks — which contain important historical, demographic, sacramental and financial data — as they prepare for their parish listening sessions.

Registration for parish listening sessions opened on March 14-15

REGISTER AT: [RESTRUCTURING.AOD.ORG](https://restructuring.aod.org)

How should I prepare for my parish listening session?

First, pray: The most important thing we can all be doing as we approach this time of listening in our parishes, is to pray. You can find a number of prayer opportunities on the Restructuring website or commit to including the process and everyone involved in your personal prayer time. Many parishes will host opportunities for communal prayer in the time leading up to your listening sessions, and we encourage you to join your faith communities to pray together when you are able.

Next, read your Parish Workbook which is posted to the Restructuring website. These workbooks provide historical information, demographics, data and trends about each parish in the Archdiocese of Detroit for the purpose of providing transparency and informing the archdiocesan restructuring process. The data in these workbooks has been reviewed and validated by the priests at each parish. Understanding this information helps each of us enter this time of discernment with a deeper sense of awareness around the need for restructuring.

Detroit Catholic: www.detroitcatholic.com/subscribe

For additional information: restructuring.aod.org

STAR FAITH FORMAT ON



SUPPORT OUR TRIP!

**MISSION
TEXAS**
2026



In June we are taking a group of high school students to Houston, Texas for a mission trip. To learn about, or support our trip you can visit:
olsos.org/ff/texas

Saturday & Sunday May 9 - 10

NEXT WEEK!

SPRING CLEAN



The SVDP truck will be here for all clothing and household item donations.

If you would like to volunteer to sort items into the truck, please contact Jack Novak.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



AUGUST 10-13

**REGISTRATION
NOW OPEN!**

Vacation Bible School is for any student entering Preschool 4 through 5th grade in the 2026-27 school year. (Preschool students must be potty trained)
Registration is full, please join the waitlist and we will try to accomodate. We are looking for both student (Grades 6 - 12) and adult volunteers. You can register by using the link to the right.



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THIS TRIP IS OPEN TO ALL
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FOR MORE
INFORMATION
CONTACT
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olsos.org/ff/wyd



CATHOLIC NIGHT AT UWM FIELD JULY 31 - FIRST PITCH 7:05PM

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Questions for all events can be directed to:

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SCHOOL GROUP GOING ON THE MISSION TEXAS TRIP**

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THE TRIP, SCAN THE QR CODE BELOW OR STOP BY THE
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DO YOU LOVE ME? FEED MY SHEEP

Archbishop Weisenburger was asked to select a Gospel reading for his installation Mass in the Archdiocese of Detroit and chose this powerful exchange between our Lord and St. Peter in the Gospel of St. John, “Do you love me?” and he said to him, “Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.”

[Jesus] said to him, “Feed my sheep...” And when he had said this, he said to him, “Follow me” (John 21:15-17,19).

This calling is echoed in the Catholic Services Appeal, inviting each of us to respond to Christ’s love by caring for those in need and supporting the ministries that bring the Gospel to life. We should be united in following Christ’s command to love, serve, and share the abundant gifts we have received with our brothers and sisters across southeast Michigan.



Catholic Service Appeal 2026 Our Lady Star of the Sea Goal \$165,000

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- Save time by donating online using your phone, computer, or tablet:
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- If you need help or have questions, call 313-596-7400 or email csa@aod.org.
- You can also donate through our online giving portal: <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/FD-1044>
- If you’re interested in leaving a legacy gift, matching a donation, or giving stock, please contact AOD Donor Services at 313-237-5768.

Please make checks payable to **Archdiocese of Detroit (CSA)**

Thank you for your generosity!



OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

All proceeds used to support OLSOS athletic programs



- ▶ Beverages
- ▶ Food
- ▶ Raffle
- ▶ Prizes

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MAY 30, 2026
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Your generosity sustains our parish mission and outreach.

Thank you for your continued Support!



We Could Use Your Helping Hands!

If you have a little time to spare, we'd love your help with any of the following:

Wake Ministry – When a family requests a rosary or scripture service, we send a small team to assist.

Mailings – Sign up to be notified by email when the next mailing is scheduled. If you're available, we always appreciate the extra hands!

Funeral Luncheons - Help set up, serve and clean up after funeral luncheons. Typically set up night before and luncheon volunteer are here from 10:30 am- 1:30 pm.

Homebound Minister– we take communion to our homebound on Friday mornings and we take communion to the Rivers on Wednesday

Live Streaming - Live stream the 4 pm Mass, Time commitment is one Saturday a month or less. Training to be provided during a 4 pm Mass.

Your time and kindness make a big difference—thank you for all you do to support our parish community!



2026 Confirmation St Joan or Arc and Star of the Sea





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.

ST JOAN OF ARC

PRIESTS *IN SOLIDUM*
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

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.

Have you recently moved, dropped your landline, or changed your phone number or email address? Please let us know so we can keep our parish records up to date!

Contact the Parish Office at **313-884-5554**, parish@stargp.org, update your information through our Portal at <https://www.olsos.org/parishsoft> or fill out the form below and return to the parish office with any updates.

Thank you for helping us stay connected!

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Parish Staff Directory

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