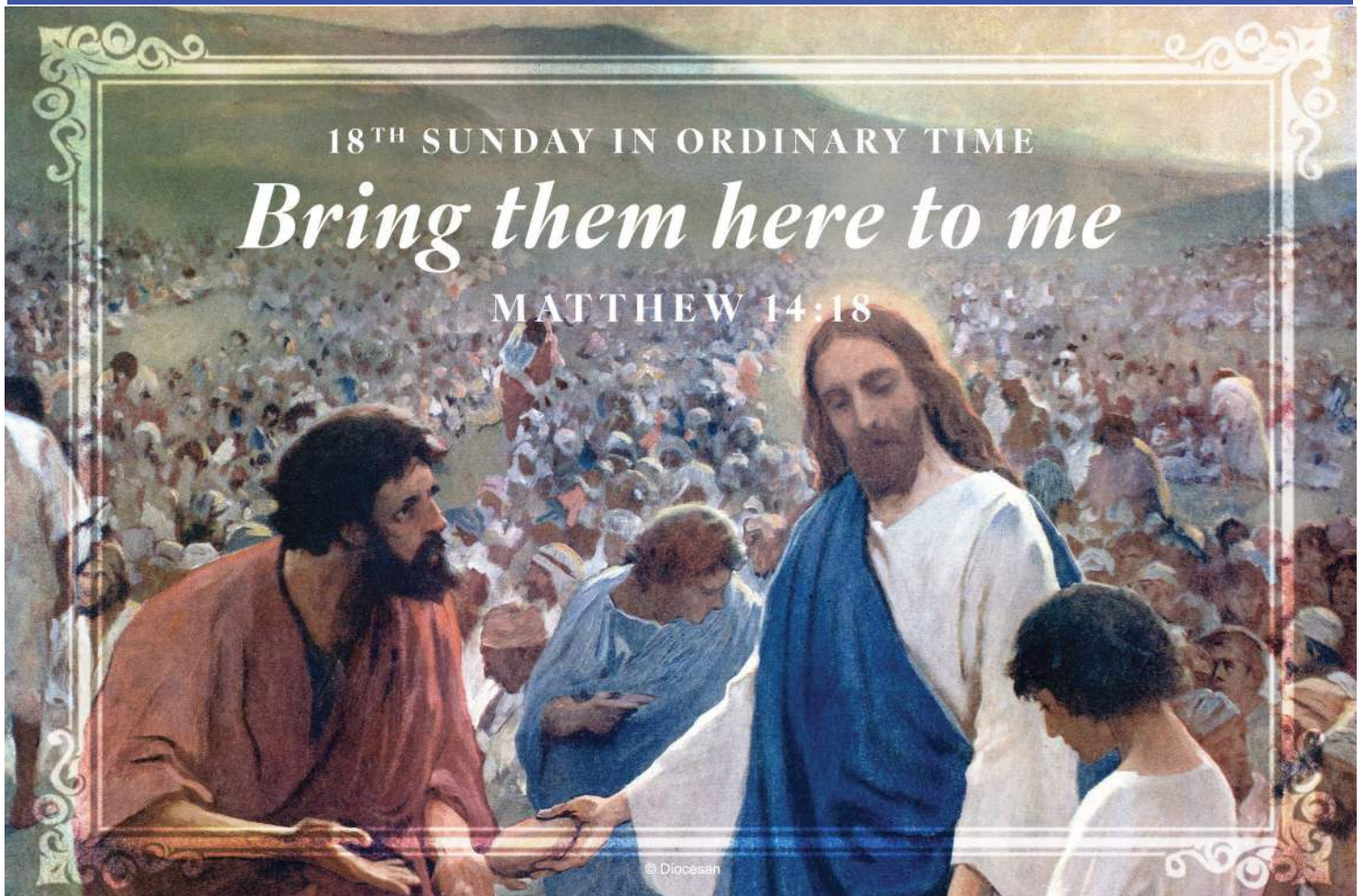


OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

AUGUST 2, 2026



WITH MARY, WE BRING PEOPLE TO CHRIST
TO LIVE THE LOVE OF GOD

GENERAL INFORMATION

MASS TIMES

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

Parents of the child to receive the sacrament, please call the Faith Formation office 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

Bride or Groom must be a registered member, in good standing, of OLSOS, for at least 3 months before prep can begin. Bride or Groom need to contact the parish to inquire about wedding prep. Archdiocesan law requires advance notice of at least six months prior to your wedding date to start preparations.

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.

View this bulletin online at www.DiscoverMass.com

Half and Half from Msgr. Gary Smetanka

Next weekend is our "Missionary Co-Op" weekend, an organized program of the Archdiocese of Detroit, in cooperation of the Propagation of the Faith Office, that gives us the opportunity to support the various religious orders or dioceses around the world who are spreading the Good News and faith to others.

We will welcome Fr. Jude Tadeo Friday, here to tell us about the Archdiocese of Tororo, found in the Eastern

part of Uganda has about 4 million people, of whom a little less than half are Catholics. It has 52 parishes, each of which has 20 mission churches on average, served by 130 priests. Therefore, each priest serves about 10,000 Catholics, and visits each village for Mass and the sacraments every couple of months.

Fr. Jude will undoubtedly tell us about their many needs in the archdiocese. The people make about \$1,000 a year, mainly from small scale farming. Despite their very low income, they do support their Church. However the needs are great in order to bring the Good News to the thousands of people. They have many catechists who are the backbone of the parishes in teaching and servicing the needs of the people. They are the real missionaries. Nonetheless you are also missionaries when you offer your support to they can be effective in what they do. Thank you for your support.

There will be a second collection next Sunday after communion. Please make any checks payable to Our Lady Star of the Sea and then we forward one check to the appropriate office which then passes it on to the Archdiocese of Tororo. Thank you.

****** If you know family members, friends, neighbors or acquaintances who have inquired about the Catholic faith and want to know more, please invite them to come to Mass sometime or call the parish office to set up an appointment to talk more. Our next session of inquirers (those seeking entrance into the church through baptism or their remaining sacraments) will be gearing up soon! Likewise, maybe you have not seen someone at Mass for some time. Invite them to return and become reacquainted with our community, the Church, and Jesus!

****** What a sight it was in downtown Detroit ten days ago on July 22 for the revival that took place at Huntington Place,. After wonderful inspiring talks, 5000 people joined in procession following the Blessed Sacrament. What a sight to see. The procession went from the foot of Woodward to Capitol Park, back to Jefferson and then to the open space in front of the former Cobo arena. As the front of the procession was turning on to Jefferson from Woodward, the end of the procession still had not crossed Jefferson yet to go north on Woodward! What a sight to see. I felt sorry for those stuck in traffic but we prayed for them as well! It was a great testimony of our faith.

****** I was sitting in the back of church last Saturday evening for the Detroit Symphony Orchestra concert. I offered some prayers of thanksgiving for you all for your support to the parish and the couple of things we did to "freshen up" the church. It started by right after Easter with the new church and gathering space roofs. The pews look great with the wood refinished, new padded upholstery, and better kneelers to kneel on! We have improved the sanctuary lighting. After putting in new carpeting, we will be giving the floor an extra deep cleaning and trying to brighten the grout more. We also just had all the ducts cleaned and sanitized. The rest rooms were also just steamed cleaned. Finally, sometime this winter, the organ will finally get cleaned and repairs made to keep it in prime shape for another 25 years! Thank you so much for your Sunday Offerings as well as you CSA gifts. We use the excess of our target that is returned to the parish to help in these additional projects around campus. Thank you so much!!

Enjoy the wonderful month of August, continuing to praise God for all his goodness.

Msgr. Gary Smetanka

MISSION APPEAL FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF TORORO

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As the Church of Christ, our mission is to bring Jesus to people, spiritually through the Word and Sacrament, but also through carrying out the corporal works of mercy. Like your own priests and ministers, our priests and catechists celebrate the sacraments, teach catechism and nourish the spiritual lives of the people in the churches. And together with the dedicated religious sisters and brothers, they run schools, orphanages, hospitals and provide clean drinking water, support to the peasant farmers and especially the care of girls and women, who are often neglected in many communities. When my parishioners pray the Lord's Prayer and say, "Give us this Day, our daily bread," they are asking not just for the Body and Blood of Christ, but also that the Lord provide for their daily needs of clean water, food, medicine, education and shelter.

Like most low-income countries, the average income of our parishioners is rather limited, about \$1,000 per family per year, which comes mainly from small-scale farming. Yet despite their meager resources, the people support this work of the Church to the best of their ability.

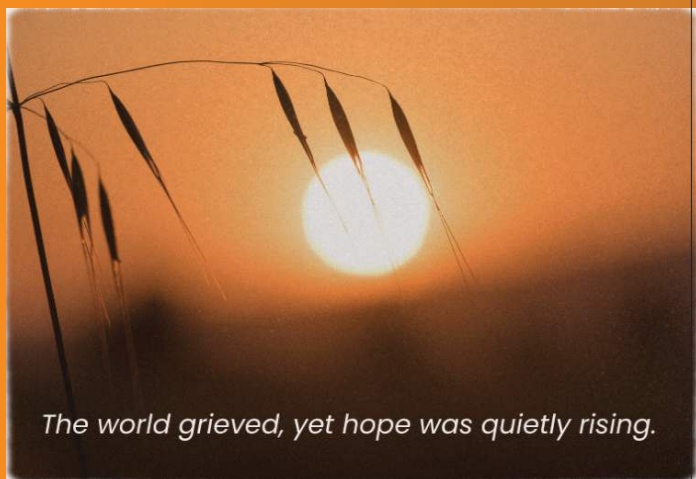
But we have far more needs than local income is able to support. That is why we are extremely grateful that your diocese and parish invite us to make this appeal to you. We are grateful to have you as our brothers and sisters in Christ and in mission.

How can you help us? What exactly does your donation do for our mission?

- \$20 buys a mosquito net or two for the kids in the schools as well as in our hospital wards.
- \$50 pays for a month's tuition, room and board for one of our 300 high school seminarians.
- \$100 buys a bicycle for a catechist, who travels to the main church to bring back communion for their Sunday communion service.
- \$1,000 pays for a year's formation for one of our 50 major seminarians.
- \$3,000 buys a scooter for a newly ordained priest
- \$5,000 buys a motorbike suitable for a mountain parish
- \$10,000 provides a village with a well for clean drinking water
- \$30,000 constructs a mission church
- \$50,000 constructs a rural health clinic
- \$120,000 constructs a new parish church

Pope Saint Paul VI once said that there are two types of missionaries; there are those who go to the missions in person and there are those who go through their support. Thank you for being missionaries through your prayerful and financial support.

Be assured of the prayers of the Ugandan people, who come to know Jesus in his Word and Sacraments, whose lives are made a little better materially, because you who already know Jesus, help us to help them.



The world grieved, yet hope was quietly rising.

Seeing the Light of Day Faith Based Bereavement Group

**First Sunday of the Month
1:00 p.m. in the Pointe**

**Our Lady Star of the Sea
467 Fairford Rd, GPW MI 48236
313-884-5554**

**Olsos.org
parish@stargp.org**

Faith Formation Registration 2026-27 Now Open!

Classes Start: Sept 22, 2026

Classes End: TBD

Classes are on Tuesdays from 4:15-5:30pm

The full schedule will be released once GPPSS has released their schedule.

Scan the QR code to the right to register your students for the upcoming year.



linktr.ee/StarFaithFormation

HELP NEEDED

Help Our Youth Grow in Their Journey with God!

We are looking for passionate volunteers to lead our 8th grade class for the upcoming Faith Formation year. We are also looking for a hall monitor / office helper.



Adult Bible Study

This will be a two part series in Fall and Spring.
More details to follow.

For more details visit: olsos.org/ff/adults

SUPPLIES NEEDED - VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



We could use your support for VBS. Please scan the QR code on the right to purchase items off of our Amazon wish list.

We could also use your prayers for a safe, fun and faith filled week for all the campers and volunteers!



linktr.ee/STARVBS

STAR
FAITH FORMATION

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](https://olsos.org/ff)



**Every Wednesdays
at 3:00 pm**
Prayer & Eucharistic Chapel
off Morningside

Pray the Rosary & the Divine Mercy Chaplet
We pray for world peace and all the prayer intentions
of our parishioners and the prayers that have been
placed in the Pray vase by the Tabernacle and the
prayer box in the Chapel

Please Pray for:

In memoriam

list of funerals we have had at OLSOS

8/3/1967	Michael Gates
8/3/1969	Norman J. Parent
8/3/1975	Vera Lingemen
8/3/1996	Mary (Minnie) Martin
8/3/2004	Kathryn Sullivan
8/4/1967	Emery Gesell
8/4/1971	Mary Ellen Tapin
8/4/1984	Corinne Lenhard
8/4/1995	Jack Lucido
8/4/2002	Mary Gallotti
8/4/2014	Frances Kristufek
8/4/2014	Patricia Hendra
8/4/2021	Dolores Bradway
8/5/1968	Mary Kirk-Haggerty
8/5/1972	Richard Klein
8/5/1972	Joseph Kopitzki
8/5/1972	Clorinda Vigliotti
8/5/1998	Edward Gula
8/5/1999	Walter Kujawski
8/5/2009	Daniel Popovic
8/5/2011	Nunzio Ortisi
8/5/2013	Marian Gliniecki
8/6/1960	Eugene Kornmeier
8/6/1968	Mary Greer
8/6/1970	Paul C. Sloan
8/6/1972	Madeline Hall
8/6/1988	Albert Malooly
8/6/1992	Adeline Nowak
8/6/2002	R. Warren Adam
8/6/2018	Patrick McElmurry
8/7/1971	Irene Centeck
8/7/1972	Walter Lesinski
8/7/1976	Mark Schoenith
8/7/1980	Mildred Formaniak
8/7/1993	Clara DeYonker
8/7/1997	John Kennedy

8/7/2016	Sally "Lou" Wheeler
8/8/1959	Lottie Jurczyk
8/8/1987	Elizabeth Verbeke
8/8/1988	Charles Dorn
8/8/1988	Jacques Schoenmakers
8/8/2003	Sophia Prus
8/8/2014	Michael Hatty
8/8/2020	John Molloy
8/9/1965	Michael Miller
8/9/1984	Richard Buysse
8/9/1985	Colette Abi-Raji
8/9/2006	Margaret Cody
8/9/2021	Michael Neme
8/9/2023	Paige Pringle

the sick

Victor Bontomasi
Maria Buscemi
Jeanne Collins
Leslie Derrick
Barbara Drader
Andrea Drouillard
Ruth Flynn
Cheryl Fox
Christine Mathis
Carol Nowinski
Angie Rubino
Alexandra (Hathaway) Schwegler
Gary Snacker
Mary Spatt
Cathy Spindler
JoAnne Spring
Alexis Suppanz
E. Noreen Szymborski
Linda Vitale

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament



Every Wednesday - 11:00 am - 2:00 pm
In the Parish Office

those in the military

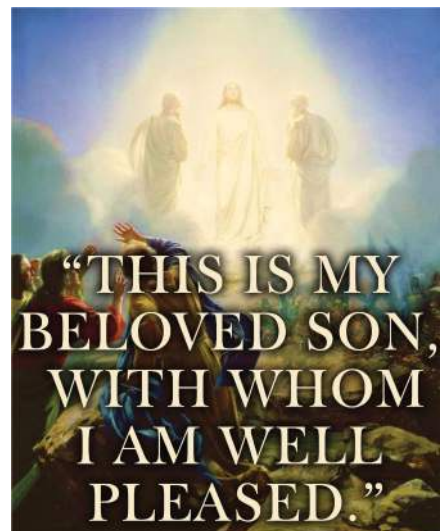
Connor Barthel
James Patrick Carrier
Josh Duffy
Richard Shetler, III
William F. Sottrel
John Walker

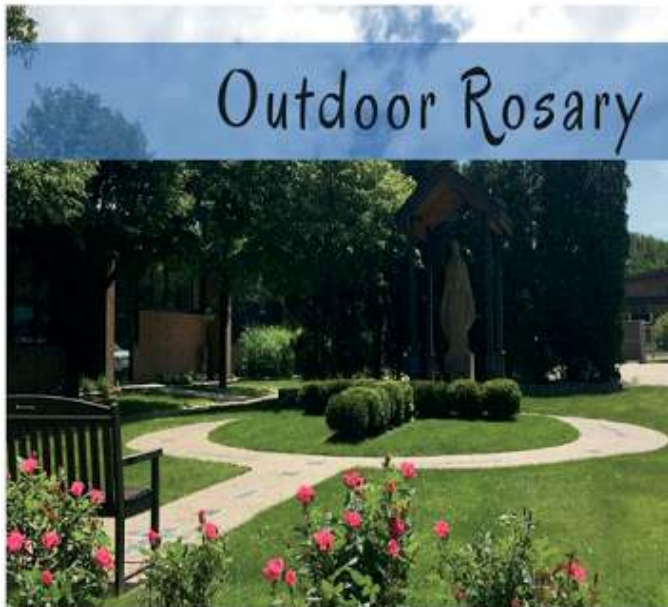
the faithful departed

Mary Graziani
Norman Heinrich



AUGUST 3
7:00 P.M.
IN THE CHURCH





Thursdays, 7:00 pm
Rosary Garden on Morningside
Bring a chair
WEATHER PERMITTING

Scripture Readings

For the Week of August 2, 2026

Sunday	Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 55:1-3; Ps 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18; Rom 8:35, 37-39; Mt 14:13-21
Monday	Jer 28:1-17; Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102; Mt 14:22-36
Tuesday	Memorial of Saint John Vianney, Priest Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29, 22-23; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14
Wednesday	Jer 31:1-7; Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13; Mt 15:21-28
Thursday	Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9
Friday	Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7; Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41; Mt 16:24-28
Saturday	Memorial of Saint Dominic, Priest Hb 1:12—2:4; Ps 9:8-9, 10-11, 12-13; Mt 17:14-20
Sunday	Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14; Rm 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33



Mass Intentions

Monday, August 3	
7:30 a.m.	+Anthony Vitale
Tuesday, August 4	
7:30 am	+David Graham +Phyllis DeMars
Wednesday, August 5	
7:30 am	For All Missionaries
Thursday, August 6	
7:30 am	Archdiocesan Restructuring
Friday, August 7	
7:30 am	Dr. Clark Okulski +Alexander Grimm
Saturday, August 8	
4:00 pm	+Phyllis DeMars +Joyce Tranchida +Mary Anne Gargaro

Sunday, August 9
8:00 am OLSOS Parishioners

9:30 am +Catherine Jaboro
+Michael T. Hatty
+Walter Bryzik
+Jennie Barzotti

11:30 am +Peter Bologna
+Paige Pringle
+Judy Cooper
+Beverly Joseph
+Henry Ritter

Mass Intentions -

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





Our food pantry needs the following items:

Cereal-pasta and sauce - Soup - mac and cheese - canned tuna - canned chicken - canned fruit - canned vegetables - canned pasta - peanut butter and jelly - crackers (Saltines, Ritz, Townhouse), personal care (soap, toothpaste, deodorant)

**Please drop off items in the gathering space.
Thank you for your continued generous support!**

CALLING ALL STAR OF THE SEA ALUMNI!

Join us in celebrating Our Lady Star of the Sea's
70th Anniversary this year!



Scan the QR Code to join our alumni database and get updates on the exciting events happening this school year.



Women and Men Socks and Underwear Collection

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!



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: _____



Support Our Parish Give Online!

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

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- 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!



YOUR FAITH. YOUR HEART. HIS MISSION

A MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHBISHOP

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, Each year, the Church calls us back to the heart of our identity as disciples—inviting us to reflect on the gifts God has entrusted to us and how we are called to place them at the service of His people. As I prayed about this year's Catholic Services Appeal, one verse continually rose to the surface: "For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be" (Matthew 6:21).

These words remind us that our mission flows from what we love most. When our hearts are rooted in Christ, His mission becomes our own—to proclaim the Gospel, form disciples, accompany those who suffer, and bring the light of His love throughout southeast Michigan.

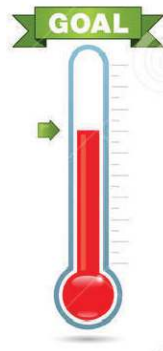
God has blessed each of us with time, talents, and resources meant not to be held back, but shared generously. Through faithful stewardship, we participate directly in the Church's work of evangelization.

The Catholic Services Appeal is an expression of this shared mission, sustaining ministries that form clergy, strengthen families, serve the poor, and renew our parishes. I invite you to prayerfully consider how God is calling you to take part. I am deeply grateful for your faith, generosity, and commitment to Christ's mission.

Sincerely yours in Christ Jesus,
Most Reverend Edward J. Weisenburger
Archbishop of Detroit

Catholic Service Appeal 2026

*This campaign year will end
December 31, 2026*



Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Goal
\$165,000

As of July 20, 2026

CSA 2026 Update	
Pledges / paid to date	\$105,522
% of Goal	64%
# of Families	217
Shortage/ net proceeds	\$59,478

Catholic Service Appeal 2026 Our Lady Star of the Sea

If you did not receive a pledge card, please use this form to complete your gift.

Name: _____

Address: _____ Phone or email: _____

_____ please accept my one time gift of: \$250 \$500 \$750 \$1000 Other \$ _____

_____ please accept my pledge of \$ _____

I have enclosed an initial payment of \$ _____ and would like to make

☐ monthly or ☐ quarterly payments on the remainder of my pledge

- Save time by donating online using your phone, computer, or tablet:
<https://www.givecsa.org/our-lady-star-of-the-sea>
- 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)**

Please have all gifts submitted and paid by December 31, 2026

Thank you for your generosity!

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Loved Ones with Memory Loss



WHEN

3rd Saturday of Every Month
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Our Lady Star of the Sea
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467 Fairford Rd.
Grosse Pointe Woods

WHAT TO EXPECT

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- ◆ Share Your Experiences
- ◆ Learn from Others
- ◆ Find Support in a Welcoming Environment



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- **Kid's Club Aide** - Part time,
3:00 - 6:00 PM

Our Kid's Club Aides assist students with their homework, oversee play and free time, and aide students in checking in and out of of Kid's Club for the day.

If interested, contact the School's Front Office at (313) 884-1070.



Thresholds of Hope

ST BASIL THE GREAT

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

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

313-884-5554

Mass Times

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

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

Daily: |

Deo Gratias was founded by two Felician sisters in 2018 and deals primarily with food insecurity in northeast Detroit and Harper Woods – and even supports some guests living in 48236. Our mission is to provide Christ-like hospitality to our guests in both our daily Café and Food Pantry.

In 2025, Deo Gratias served over 30,000 meals in the Café and distributed over 170,000 pounds of food via our Pantry. We also have a social worker that provides referrals for our guest needing additional help, a tutoring program for elementary and middle school students, an art room and a community garden!

We are looking to grow support for our mission. That support could take any number of forms, including:

- donations of cash
- gift cards (for stores like Kroger, Meijer, etc.)
- non-perishable food items
- Volunteering:
 - in our Café
 - Pantry
 - Community Garden
 - a tutor

Bob Sadler

Executive Director

www.dgmdetroit.org

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