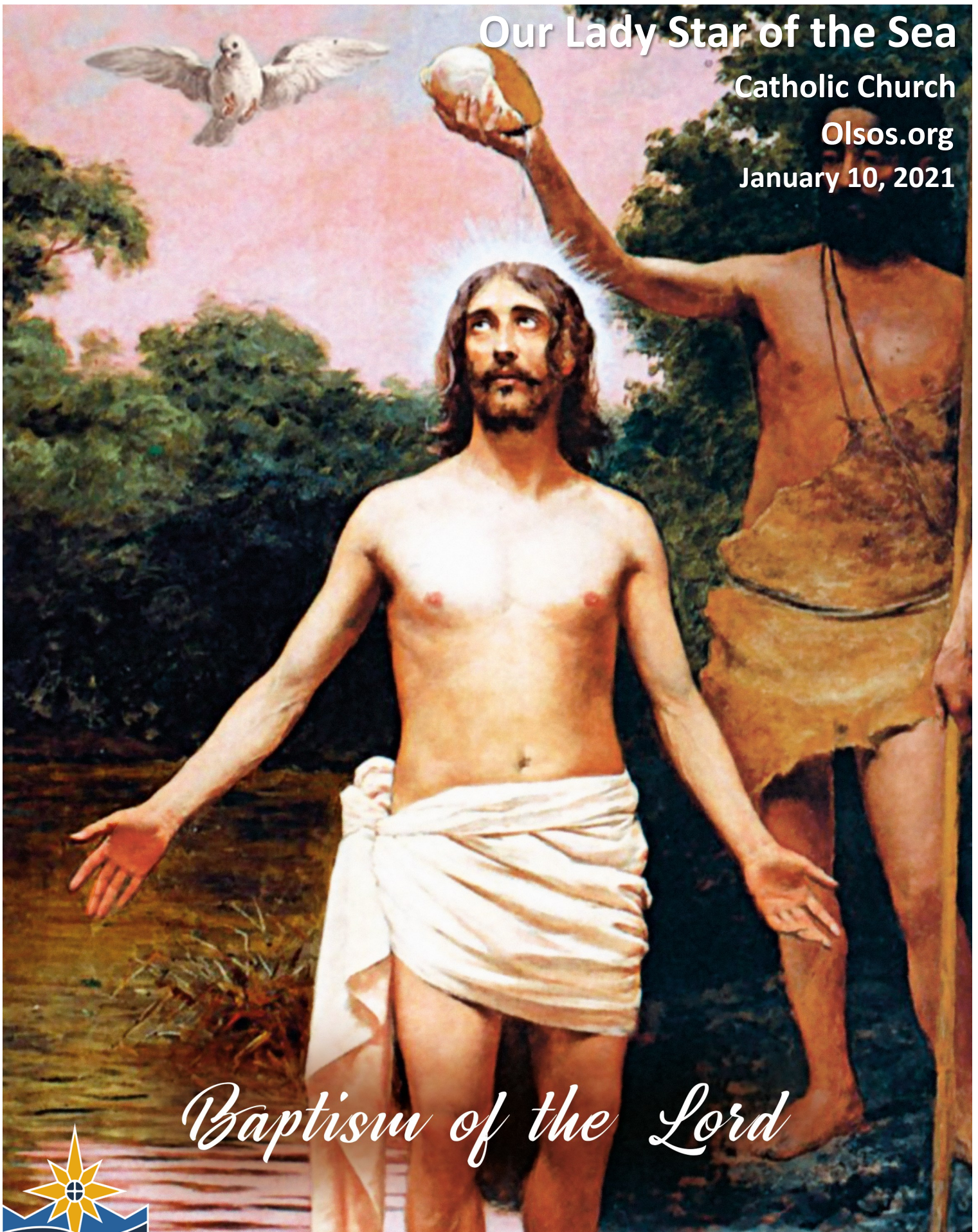


Our Lady Star of the Sea

Catholic Church

Olsos.org

January 10, 2021



Baptism of the Lord



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 7:30 a.m.
TUE 7:30 a.m.
WED 7:30 a.m.
THU 7:30 a.m.
FRI 8:30 a.m.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

MON 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
TUE 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
WED 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
THU 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
FRI 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
SAT Closed
SUN Closed
Holidays — Closed

BAPTISMS

Please call the parish office 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

Archdiocesan law requires advance notice of at least six months.

PARISH REGISTRATION

Newcomers to the parish may register in the Parish Office during regular office hours. Others, 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



As we celebrate the baptism of the Lord, we once again recognize that our faith is rooted in our own "baptism in the Lord." This should be the core from which everything we are, do and say emanates. We have died with Christ in the waters of baptism and have been called to take on his life of service and love in all that we do. Do we??

We are all called to a vocation in life. For some it is being married. For others it is being single. For still others it is through "religious life." No matter our vocation call, we will be called to live that vocation out through our baptism. Do we??? Or do we somehow think or believe that all this religion is only to be lived out by the professional "religious" people?

As I often explain at baptisms, everything goes back to our baptism and our place of baptism. Everything that we are called to be, by God, goes back to our incorporation into the family of God through our baptism, becoming his daughter or son. Everything we do as Christians flows from our baptism as we are called to be the Light of Christ to others and take on the image of Jesus and His dying and rising in our life. Many people also do not realize that, for Catholics, all of our significant religious events are recorded at our place of baptism. Each parish has a big book to record every baptism. Each person has their own line that includes the names of the parents and Godparents, date and city of birth and date of baptism, the person baptizing, and then also the dates of First Communion, Confirmation as well as the sacraments of Matrimony and Holy Orders also get noted. Parishes are required to inform the church of baptism for all those sacraments a person receives. [Often people are asked to provide a newly issued baptismal certificate, e.g. before marriage in the Church, not one in the safety deposit box.] This process helps to ensure the accuracy of statements of sacramental reception. It is a standard procedure but when you are asked to do such, please do so more than a few hours before you need it!

Just a word of clarification about the role of Godparents. Often people think of them as those who will assume the legal responsibility of the child if something happens to the parents. That is NOT the role of Godparents. Godparents, one male and one female by Canon Law, help the parents in providing the formation of the Catholic faith of the person being baptized. That is something that should be taken seriously and not just picking the next person in the family line. Hence, logically, you cannot pick a Jewish friend or a non-Catholic as "Godparents." When it comes to the Sacrament of Baptism, a person must have at least one person who is Catholic that will assume the role of a Godparent. (A person cannot have more than two Godparents. If, for some reason parents insist that there has to be more than two, only two will be recorded in the Baptismal Register.) A Godparent must be at least 16 years of age and fully initiated into the Catholic Church. A person who is a non-Catholic Christian would be recorded as a "Christian witness." (For more information go to our website under the Sacrament of Baptism.)

During the celebration of baptism, the Godparents themselves are asked three times if they are willing and able to assume the responsibilities of raising the child in the Catholic faith. Hence, it is an important lifetime responsibility regarding the faith!

This week let us reflect on the importance of our own baptism. If we do not know our baptismal date, maybe we can find out the date. Think of the significance of that baptism in your life as a Christian or disciple of Jesus. How is your life lived out so that others know, without a doubt, that you are a baptized Christian or Catholic?

** As we bring to a close the Christmas season, let us continue to hold each other in

Half and Half continued

prayer and keep alive the love, peace and gentleness brought to us through the Christ Child!

** Please spread the word about our upcoming school Open House on Jan.31. Word of mouth is our best means of invite and publicity! Our school has provided outstanding in-person education and formation. Spread the word that we are here "building strong minds and faithful hearts through Christ."

Have a blessed week!

Msgr. Gary Smetanka



A prayer for Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,
I believe that you are present
in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love you above all things
and I desire to receive you in my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment
receive you sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace you as if you were already there
and unite myself wholly to you.
Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

Scripture Readings

Readings for the Week of January 10, 2021

Sunday Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11
Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10
or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 (3);
Acts 10:34-38 or 1 Jn 5:1-9
Mk 1:7-11

Monday
Heb 1:1-6
Ps 97:1 and 2b, 6 and 7c, 9
Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday
Heb 2:5-12
Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9
Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday Saint Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Heb 2:14-18
Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9
Mk 1:29-39

Thursday
Heb 3:7-14;
Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11
Mk 1:40-45

Friday
Heb 4:1-5, 11
Ps 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8
Mk 2:1-12

Saturday
Heb 4:12-16
Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15
Mk 2:13-17

**Sunday
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**
1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19
Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10 (8a, 9a);
1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20;
Jn 1:35-42

Mass Intentions

Monday, January 11

7:30 a.m. +Frank & Josephine Colombo
+Lynn Allen
+Goudy Zacks

Tuesday, January 12

7:30 a.m. +Edmund Ahee, Sr.

Wednesday, January 13

7:30 a.m. Fran Maxey

Thursday, January 14

7:30 a.m. +Deceased members of the
Thomas Sharpe Family
+Bernardine Lucas

Friday, January 15

8:30 a.m. Judy Armbruster
+Ann Marie Biondo

Saturday, January 16

4:00 p.m. +Eddie Metry, Jr
+Claire Jursek
+Patrick Scoggin
Janice Abdenour
+Bud Treder

Sunday, January 17

8:00 a.m. OLSOS Parishioners

9:30 a.m. +Marilyn Bourgoin
+Philip Mannone

11:30 a.m. +Virginia Mushenski
+Mary Ann Montpetit
+Robert Almaguer
+Patricia White



OUR LADY
STAR OF THE SEA SCHOOL

Open House 2021

Join us for our annual Open House to learn more about a Star Education:

- One of the only schools in Southeast Michigan with a STREAM Program.
- Small class sizes for one-on-one learning.
- Health & safety protocols are a top priority.

January 31, 2021

12 PM - 3 PM

For more details, visit
www.starschoolgrossepointe.org

It is with overwhelming appreciation and joy, that our school has provided in person education during these most difficult and different times. Our Lady has continued to shelter us and bring us into safe harbor as we navigate these uncharted waters. We thank you for your prayers and support, and look forward to what Christ has in store for 2021.

For over 60 years, Our Lady Star of the Sea School has been dedicated to teaching and engaging students beyond standards. We are committed to prepare students for all their next academic endeavors and for their continued faith formation. Since 1998, we have proudly earned national accreditation through Cognia.

· What our families value about us:

- Faith formation, respect and personal responsibility
- Excellence in education, encouraging individual talents
- Critical thinking skills
- A safe and nurturing learning environment

- Service to others
- Achievement and leadership opportunities
- A strong sense of family & community



THE STAR STANDARD

Working as partners with parents and school families, the Star faculty and staff work diligently to customize a quality, Christ-centered academic and formation program for each student, Pre-school through Grade 8. Our Lady Star of the Sea is a family within a vibrant, evangelizing, supportive faith community always adapting programs and creating opportunities to meet the needs of students.

- Shared values with faculty, staff, and other Star families
- Preparing children for a life-long journey close to Christ
- Enrichment Center to assist student learning and challenge student potential
- Unique Transitional Kindergarten program allowing children to begin with ½ -day experience and develop at his/her individual pace
- A rich STREAM academic environment intertwining religion with science, technology, engineering, and mathematics; Christian values and Catholic identity; collaborative opportunities and personal achievement..

Save the Date

Open House

Sunday, January 31st
12-3pm

See the website for details



OUR LADY
STAR OF THE SEA SCHOOL

FORMING OUR FAITH

"That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked at and our hands have touched—this we proclaim concerning the Word of life." — 1 John 1:1

FIRST RECONCILIATION

Please pray in a special way this week for all our 2nd Grade students who will be receiving their first Reconciliation this week! Join us in prayer for them during this time!

Kids' Corner



Gabby and Aidan Chichester have been having a great year in Faith Formation this Fall! When asked "What are you looking forward to most about Reconciliation, Gabby said, "To be forgiven for my sins." Aidan said, "To be closer to God." Remember to keep them and their classmates in prayer this Tuesday!



Why does the Church ask us to come to a priest to be absolved of our sins? Why did Our Lord give us the Sacrament of Confession?



Check out Vinny Flynn's recording on Formed:

7 Secrets of Confession

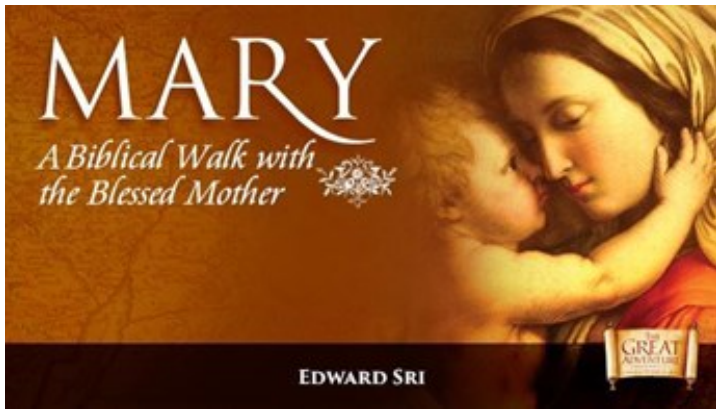
You will never look at this wonderful Sacrament the same way again!

Formed.org is like "Catholic Netflix." It has so much rich Catholic tradition right at our fingertips! To access, go to olsos.formed.org. Simply choose our parish from the list, fill in your name/email, and enjoy videos, audio-books, reflections and teachings from the top Catholic minds today! Find out why we believe what we believe!



The Sacrament of Confession is all about HEALING. Healing has always been a huge part of the Church's ministry. We all need healing in some way, and that is why Christ has given us the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Visit unleashthegospel.org for tons of resources from our Shepherd Archbishop Vigneron!

Do you have students in Faith Formation at Our Lady Star of the Sea? Do you have any questions or concerns? Email Curtis Schuelke at c.schuelke@stargp.org to set up a time to meet virtually one-on-one! We are here to help!



A Powerful Study on the Blessed Mother Begins February 3, 2021!

Filmed on location in the Holy Land, *Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother* will place you in the midst of the powerful drama of Mary's earthly life, taking you through her joys and her sorrows. You will learn how she works in our lives today, drawing us ever closer to her divine Son. Seeing Mary in this way will change you forever. She will

become a part of your daily life and help you to become more like Christ.

Join us for *Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother* beginning February 3 and continuing every Wednesday through March 31. For more information or to register for the study, call Meredith Nesom at (313) 884-7407 ext. 2061 or email m.nesom@stargp.org.

A special thanks to the 40 people who took part in the Fall 2020 Bible Study, "**Jesus: the Way, the Truth and the Life.**"



MYSTERY *at* STAR MANOR

Auction 2021 to benefit the students of
Our Lady Star of the Sea

JOIN THIS YEAR'S AUCTION HONOREES
The Teachers and Staff of Our Lady Star of the Sea
at the Annual Auction Gala

Brought to You Virtually on
Saturday, February 27, 2021

Sponsored by
Henry Ford Health System
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Lifetime Orthodontics

For event information, to make a donation or purchase an advertisement, please visit the website, call 313.423.9104 or use your device to scan the QR code below.



Mystery at Star Manor will feature live and silent auctions, raffles, and a little mystery! Do you remember the board game, CLUE? We will bring the game to life as we solve the Mystery at Star Manor! Could it be "Msgr. Mustard in the Conservatory with the Candlestick?" Plan to attend and bring your detective skills to discover who is the culprit! Your invitation containing more details will be arriving soon!

THANK YOU "MYSTERY AT STAR MANOR" PATRONS

The list below reflects those received by January 3rd. Patron donations are gratefully accepted through February 27. Those received before January 24 will be recognized in the printed event program.

Greg and Beth Ahee	Ilona Johnson	Rob and Elly Sattler
Pam and Dave Barthel	Michael and Patricia Lesha	Tom and Kyrstyn Sloan
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Gregory and Phyllis DeMars		Bob and Nancy Zink

www.OLSOS-Auction.org



Stewardship Thoughts

As is fitting, today's Scripture passages are linked by the common theme of "water." Isaiah, near the end of the Babylonian exile, prophesies, through the Lord, *All you who are thirsty, come to the water!* St. John proclaims in his First Letter, *This is the one who came through water and blood, Jesus Christ, not by water alone, but by water and blood.* In St. Mark's Gospel, the evangelist quotes John the Baptist in reference to Jesus before our Lord's Baptism in the Jordan River, *I have baptized you with water; he [Jesus] will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.* The Sacrament of Baptism is the "the gateway" to all the other Sacraments. This tremendous gift of Baptism forgives sin and it is here that Christ invites us, individually, to be His disciples. When Jesus knocks on the door of our hearts daily, are we willing to let Him in, to follow Him, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, profess His Truth to a world that needs Jesus? To learn about His Truth, sign up for a Bible Study at your parish or a class at Sacred Heart Major Seminary.

In case you missed it...



Tune into our new **LIVE Masses** on our Facebook page or our website at olsos.org.

Scroll to news—Live Mass

Live Stream will begin approximately 15 minutes before the 4pm Mass on Saturday or watch at your convenience on Saturday night or Sunday.

**We are in need of volunteers to help us live stream during the 4pm Mass, if interested contact the Parish Office—313-884-5554
Training will be provided.**

BOTTLE DRIVE

FUNDRAISING



Please donate your clean bottles and cans to the **Knights of Columbus**

Money collected will be used to help numerous organizations.

Donations can be brought to the church during Mass times, and placed in the vestibule by Mary's Garden.

For more information, please contact:
Dennis Hyduk at 313.969.7650

Help us Stock our Pantry

Our food pantry is low and needs the following items:

cereal - pasta and sauce - mac and cheese
Soup - 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, during Mass times.

In memoriam

1/11/1976 Rose Aiuto
1/11/1977 Margaret Sears
1/11/1986 Agnes Kowalski
1/11/1999 Pauline Miller
1/11/2005 Mildred Neveux DeFour
1/11/2006 Alfreda Seymour
1/11/2009 Helen Fuga
1/12/1970 Sophie Kowalski
1/12/1978 Toni Lynn
1/12/1978 Harry Schafer
1/12/1979 Mazie Peters
1/12/1980 Germaine Defever
1/12/1994 Elizabeth Licata
1/12/2003 Phil Lauri
1/12/2010 Janet Dansbury
1/12/2013 V. Lynn Pantano
1/13/1955 Hubert Brunner
1/13/1965 Alfred Bielman
1/13/1995 Frank Unti
1/13/2002 Patricia VanHove
1/13/2004 Dean Stuhlmueller
1/13/2007 Edwin Zemmin
1/13/2020 Sonia Renusch
1/14/1965 Violet Gibson
1/14/1986 Edythe Grob
1/14/2000 Virginia Huey
1/14/2011 Mary Louise Shannon
1/14/2012 Milton Hancheruk
1/14/2012 Joseph R. Haney
1/14/2015 Edmund Francone
1/14/2018 Valarie Zynda
1/15/1969 Nick Wagner
1/15/1974 Mary Dowd
1/15/1982 John Brown
1/15/1984 Rose Pankow
1/15/1996 Charles Bolton
1/15/2003 Marcelino Hernandez
1/15/2007 Eileen Hayes
1/15/2008 Joseph Michael Cosio
1/16/1967 Edwin C. LeZeure
1/16/1984 Anthony J. Ness
1/16/1991 Ralph J. Tobbe
1/16/1992 Margaret Rousseau
1/16/1995 Dolores Dalach
1/16/1998 Louise Otlowski
1/16/2005 Sharon Hammel
1/16/2005 Paul Jankowski
1/16/2007 Joann Crabb
1/17/1975 Plores Ronan
1/17/1981 Cheryl Duquette
1/17/1982 Clifford Allor
1/17/1984 Charles Patteuw
1/17/1995 Margaret Michaels
1/17/1997 Anthony Baumann
1/17/1999 James Mansfield
1/17/2017 Philip Mannone

Please pray for the sick

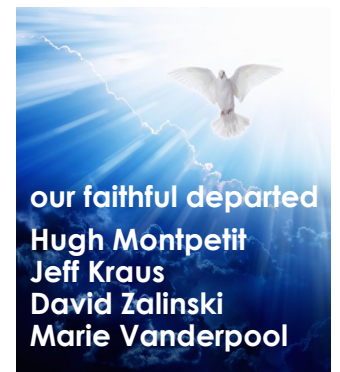
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