

OUR LADY
STAR OF THE SEA

3RD SUNDAY

of Easter



April 18, 2021

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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

ANOIDING 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



This week around here is loaded with sacraments. We of course have the Eucharist but this Sunday we celebrate Confirmation and next weekend we will have our corporate First Eucharist! It is a wonderful time of the year where we can see God's wonderful gifts being bestowed upon us.

What are the sacraments? This little review from the US Bishops might be helpful:

"We recognize that the Sacraments have a visible and invisible reality, a reality open to all the human senses but grasped in its God-given depths with the eyes of faith. When parents hug their children, for example, the visible reality we see is the hug. The invisible reality the hug conveys is love. We cannot "see" the love the hug expresses, though sometimes we can see its nurturing effect in the child.

The visible reality we see in the Sacraments is their outward expression, the form they take, and the way in which they are administered and received. The invisible reality we cannot "see" is God's grace, his gracious initiative in redeeming us through the death and Resurrection of his Son. His initiative is called *grace* because it is the free and loving gift by which he offers people a share in his life, and shows us his favor and will for our salvation. Our response to the grace of God's initiative is itself a grace or gift from God by which we can imitate Christ in our daily lives.

The saving words and deeds of Jesus Christ are the foundation of what he would communicate in the Sacraments through the ministers of the Church. Guided by the Holy Spirit, the Church recognizes the existence of Seven Sacraments instituted by the Lord. They are the Sacraments of Initiation (**Baptism**, **Confirmation**, the **Eucharist**), the Sacraments of Healing (**Penance** and the **Anointing of the Sick**), and the Sacraments at the Service of Communion (**Marriage** and **Holy Orders**). Through the Sacraments, God shares his holiness with us so that we, in turn, can make the world holier." (www.usccb.org)

Let me also add a word or two about another sacrament, Anointing of the Sick. A reminder that it is no longer (necessarily) "last rites" nor should anyone wait until the last hour of a person's life. It is good for a person to be anointed at the beginning of a sickness and then also along the way if the illness progresses. Through this wonderful sacrament, we ask the Holy Spirit to come and provide healing, both physical and spiritual. Hence, the strength of the sacrament throughout a serious sickness not just at the end.

May we all allow the powerful presence of God assist us this week along our path to holiness!

** Our prayerful best wishes to those being confirmed by Bishop Robert Fisher this Sunday afternoon. As many of you recall, Star of the Sea was Fr. Fisher's first assignment here (in the "old church") and he is always happy to be here to once again celebrate for the Star of the Sea parish family.

** Please pray for those making their First Holy Communion next Sunday afternoon. It is an exciting time for sure!

May Easter joy continue to reign in our hearts.

Msgr. Gary Smetanka

Prayer for Vocations

Loving God, you call all who believe in you to grow perfect in love by following in the foot steps of Christ your Son.

Call from among us more men and women who will serve you as religious.

By their way of life, may they provide a convincing sign of your Kingdom for the Church and the whole world.

We ask this in Jesus' name.
Amen.

Scripture Readings

Readings for the Week of April 18, 2021

Sunday	Third Sunday of Easter Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9; 1 Jn 2:1-5a; Lk 24:35-48
Monday	Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29
Tuesday	Acts 7:51—8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab; Jn 6:30-35
Wednesday	Saint Anselm, Bishop and Doctor of the Church Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a; Jn 6:35-40
Thursday	Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51
Friday	Saint George, Martyr; Saint Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc-2; Jn 6:52-59
Saturday	Saint Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17; Jn 6:60-69
Sunday	Fourth Sunday of Easter Acts 4:8-12; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18



Monday, April 19

7:30 a.m. +Carmela Brucia
+Fr Ralph Barton

Tuesday, April 20

7:30 a.m. For and increase in Vocations

Wednesday, April 21

7:30 a.m. For Caretakers

Thursday, April 22

7:30 a.m. +Elsie & William Connors

Friday, April 23

8:30 a.m. +Leonard, Ethel & Helen Hart
+Georgette Zahar

Saturday, April 24

4:00 p.m. +Julia Hrabovsky
OLSOS Parishioners
Arthur Molitor

Sunday, April 25

8:00 a.m. Madison Jerome

9:30 a.m. +Marilyn Bourgoin
+Catherine Jaboro
+Rosemary Almaguer

11:30 a.m. +Bettejean Ahee
+Virginia Mushenski
+Dick Flynn
+Robert J LeFevre

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

We are so excited for the 34 young people who are Confirmed today at Our Lady Star of the Sea!



Next year, we will need people to help walk alongside our young people and pass along the Faith to them!

Ever thought about being a Catechist?

Give our office a call if you think God may be calling you to serve in this way!



Search for "Be Not Afraid Family Hour" for an inspirational opportunity to sit with the family and discuss faith with your spouse and children.

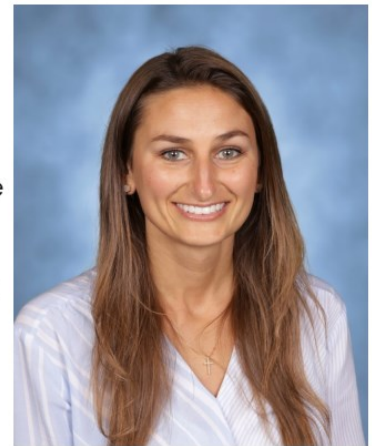


Simply visit olsos.formed.org, type in our ZIP code (48236) and choose Our Lady Star of the Sea. Begin browsing Formed's wealth of Catholic wisdom and tradition!

Q: What do you enjoy most about helping young people prepare for Confirmation?

"I feel incredibly blessed. It is a privilege to see the Holy Spirit work through these young people, and my own faith is strengthened to know that He has entrusted them to go forth and inspire others to be disciples of Jesus. I am faithful that each one of them will leave a positive ripple effect wherever God guides them in their journey."

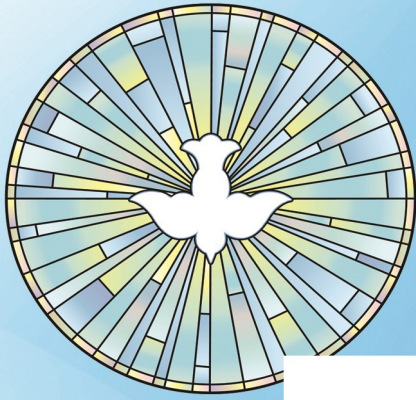
Thank you to our Confirmation Coordinator Madeleine Kaiser, for all your hard work and dedication this year!



Please pray for those who will receive their First Eucharist at Our Lady Star of the Sea next Sunday!

Faith Formation Office Hours

Monday — Thursday
8AM — 4PM



CONFIRMATION

We are grateful to celebrate with these 34 young men and women, who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this Sunday.

Addie Ancona

Ethan Ball

Brady Beers

Cameron Beers

Aidan Berger

Delaney Clark

Josephine Cueter

Lillian Deskins

Benjamin Dragich

Gabriel Figueroa

Lindsey Grice

Elizabeth Hey

Jessica Hoffmann

Isabel Jenkins

Charlotte Julien

Alexandra Larrea

Molly Lucido

Francesca Lulis

Allison Mattes

Roarke McKeown

Samuel Michael

Chizitere Nwoke

Jolie Plewa

Maris Robison

Antonio Said

Sophia Secco

James Shefferly

Kerith Short

Evelyn Smith

Maddelyn Walter

Margaret Weiss

Anna Wesley

Gabriel Woodard

Madison Youngblood



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FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR**

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Stewardship Thoughts

The themes linked in today's Scripture readings encourage us to avoid sin by following the Lord's directives, to repent, and to seek forgiveness. St. Peter, in the Acts of the Apostles, reminds the people, and us, of the evil of Christ's passion and death, and that through repentance and conversion, our sins be wiped away. St. John, in his First Letter, tells us that Jesus is an offering for our sins. In St. Luke's Gospel, Jesus appears to His disciples after His Resurrection while two of them recount their encounter with Jesus on the road to Emmaus. They finally recognize Him in the breaking of the bread. The Church has long taught that partaking of the Eucharist strengthens us on our journey as Christ's disciples. Likewise, participating in the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the forgiveness of sins opens us to Christ's grace, bringing us closer to Him, giving us peace in our lives. This week, go to confession and receive Holy Communion to draw into union with Christ.



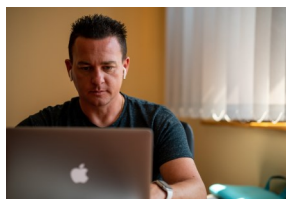
A Prayer for Spiritual Communion

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.

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In case you missed it...

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

Click on 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.

**Our Lady Star Of The Sea
Prayer and Eucharistic Adoration Chapel**

Open 6a – 11:30p

Jesus is Risen, He is Here!

"To converse with You, O King of glory, no third person is needed, You are always ready in the Sacrament of the Altar to give audience to all. All who desire You always find You there, and converse with You face to face." (St. Teresa of Avila)

Consider coming to the chapel or church to show your love for our Lord. Enjoy the peace only He can give. Then make a personal commitment of a day and hour to pray in His Eucharistic presence.

**Easter Flower Collection
In Memory/Honor of...**

Dr & Mrs. Peter Nwoke
Carolyn Nantroup
Dr & Mrs. David Graham



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



Don't miss the latest news from the Parish!

Have you been getting our weekly newsletters via email?

If you haven't seen them in a while, check your spam/junk folder

Sign up for the newsletters by visiting Our website under get connected or call the office.

We don't want you to miss out on the latest news or events.

If you unsubscribed to any of the newsletters, that unfortunately removed you from all newsletters.

If you would like to be reinstated please call the parish.

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

4/19/1990 Gabriel Hoyos
4/19/1993 Rev. Ralph Barton
4/19/1996 Laura Richer
4/19/1996 Michael VanAssche
4/19/2011 Bernice Pokorski
4/20/1960 Joseph Calcaterra
4/20/1965 Anastasia Seski
4/20/1979 Hector Couvreur
4/20/1984 Laura Molitor
4/20/1984 Helene Nelson
4/20/1989 Jerome Nuyttens
4/20/2009 Marjorie Decker
4/21/1968 Clarence Doetsch
4/21/1979 Jerry O'Berski
4/21/1992 Gary Hughes
4/21/2012 Robert Davis
4/21/2014 Louis Mushro
4/22/1988 Melania LaHood
4/22/1996 Helen Neumann
4/22/1998 Marvin Keller
4/22/2000 Alfred VanTiem
4/22/2015 Michael Keegan
4/22/2016 John Trzeciak
4/23/1974 Philip Cataldo
4/23/1974 Ezra Dettling
4/23/1976 Rita Bryne
4/23/1976 Eva Merkler
4/23/1979 Allen N. Larivee
4/23/2002 Dorothy Karrer
4/23/2004 Michael Byers
4/23/2005 Elizabeth Jeanguenat
4/23/2015 Ann Marie Rogier
4/23/2016 Aline Saverino
4/24/1959 Robert Gray
4/24/1969 Timothy Clause
4/24/1972 Joseph Thiele
4/24/1981 Peter Paganette
4/24/1983 Thomas Sharpe
4/24/1995 Isabel Laethem
4/24/1999 Jean Guillaumin
4/24/2005 Anthony Kamalay
4/25/1981 Narcissa Gallagher
4/25/1988 Helene Tessens
4/25/1989 Timothy Neveux
4/25/1995 Geraldine Ebert
4/25/2006 Geraldine Mrozowski
4/25/2016 Elizabeth Belloli
4/25/2017 Carolyn Ugval

Please pray for:

the sick

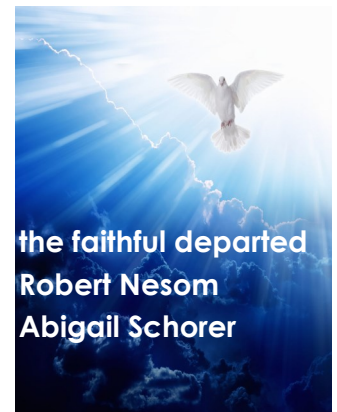
Angela Agrusa
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Marie Brady
Robert Caldwell
Cassidy Christie
Adam Cole
Noah Cole
Dr. William Collins
Amer Dabish
Sharon De Long
Virg Ditty
Joseph Drader
Patricia Hanna
Peter John Hanna
Angela Harris
Linda Keschl
Steve Kocsis
Michelle Koning
Phyllis Marek
Kristina Mulder
Sue Nelson
Don Nelson
Marilyn O'Bryan

Joe Ross
Terry Ryba
Josh Simon
Joseph Simon
Bill Scholtz
Cathy Spindler
Raul Tomas
Charlotte Weekes
Fr. Francis Weingartz

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Paul David Boni
James Patrick Carrier
Kyle Cone
Emily de Brun
Jason T. Erbecker
Ramon Lopez Garcia
Dylan Goitz
Kevin Hanley
Matt Helm
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Matthew Johnston
Justin Kelly
Paul Koss
Matt Lacy
Kyle Lechner

Thomas Miller
Joseph Misuraca
Michael Mott
Daniel Otten
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Meghan Servais
Dan Sheppard
Richard Shetler, III
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