



SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER / DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY
OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA
WITH MARY, WE BRING PEOPLE TO CHRIST TO LIVE THE LOVE OF GOD

April 7, 2024

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**Blessed are those
who have not seen
and have believed**

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—FRI: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

SAT Closed

SUN Closed

Holidays - Closed

FAITH FORMATION OFFICE HOURS

MON-THU 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

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

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

celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday in 2005.

The image of Divine Mercy, i.e., a depiction of Christ with red and white rays emanating from his heart, is on display by our Easter cross however you usually find it the rest of the year by our confessional.

Jesus wants us to know of his great mercy but we need to place our trust in him. Today we need to know of Christ's mercy more than ever. We see many divisions, conflicts, with so many people searching for peace in life. We need to know that it is in Jesus that we find shelter and refuge. Especially in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, we find an abundance of Christ's mercy freely given for us. Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, so often talks about our need to open up our hearts to receive the Lord's mercy and to share it with others!

** Thanks to everyone who gave Easter Memorials or Thanksgivings. Thanks to you, we should enjoy the floral abundance of Easter throughout the whole season!

** Thanks to all the liturgical ministers who have given so much time and attention to make the Triduum liturgies so meaningful. Thanks to our coordinators of liturgical ministers and making sure all the positions were covered. Thanks to Aaron Kaleniecki and the choir, cantors, and musicians for their talents and gifts. Thanks to Mrs. Jennifer Koester and the school youth chorale for their singing at the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper and Palm Sunday. Thanks to Steve Carozza for coordinating all the maintenance demands and the office staff. Thanks to the "Good Friday" crew who comes in that evening and transforms the church ready for the Easter celebrations. Thanks to our very small group of altar servers who volunteered to serve the additional Triduum liturgies. Thanks to Michael King and the whole RICA team that formed those who came into the Church through the sacraments of initiation or a Profession of Faith. It was great teamwork on the part of all. Everyone "worked overtime" to make these holy days special and beautiful. We are grateful for their hard work and perseverance.

** People sometime ask, "Which is more demanding, Christmas or Easter?" Christmas has its own set of liturgical and cultural demands but for the most part it is the same celebration repeated many times. The Triduum is really three very different and demanding liturgies, all musically different, plus the additional of the three Easter Sunday Masses. Easter is much more challenging and demanding on the part of the ministers, especially those involved musically. We are *so blessed by their ministry and grateful* to God for all of them.

** Unfortunately we have to cancel the morning Mass this Monday and Tuesday. I am off campus at a meeting and clergy help was unavailable from a number of sources. Thanks be to God that we are only about a mile or two from other churches for people to participate in Mass at their site!

** May the peace and joy of the Risen Lord be yours in abundance.

Msgr. Gary Smetanka

Adoration

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Every Wednesday -
11am - 2pm in the Parish Office Chapel

Prayer Group

every Wednesday at 3:00 pm
in the O.L.S.O.S. prayer and
Eucharistic chapel on Morningside,
to pray the Rosary and the
Divine Mercy Chaplet.

We pray for world peace and all the parish intentions



What is God's Divine Mercy?

God's message is simple:

- + God loves us all,
- + His mercy is greater than our sins,
- + He wants us to call upon his boundless mercy,
- + He wants us to receive him with complete trust,
- + So his mercy may flow through us to others,
- + So we may receive all the graces of his Divine Mercy

<https://www.ewtn.com/catholicism/library/divine-mercy-sunday-4367>

Scripture Readings

For the Week of April 7, 2024

Sunday	Sunday of Divine Mercy Acts 4:32-35; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31
Monday	Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
Tuesday	Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15
Wednesday	Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Jn 3:16-21
Thursday	Memorial of Saint Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20; Jn 3:31-36
Friday	Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15
Saturday	Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21
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

Mass Intentions

Monday, April 8
7:30 a.m. NO MASS

Tuesday, April 9
7:30 a.m. NO Mass

Wednesday, April 10
7:30 a.m. +Quirin Zehetmair
Richard McKenna
+Emil Mueller

Thursday, April 11
7:30 a.m. Int. of Living and Deceased
Priests, Deacons, & Bishops

Friday, April 12
8:30 a.m. +Pat Kinville

Saturday, April 13
4:00 p.m. +Ted Barthel

Sunday, April 14
8:00 a.m. OLSOS Parishioners

9:30 a.m. +Marilyn Bourgoin
+Walt Bryzik
+Phil Farley
+Richard Colombo

11:30 a.m. +Virginia Mushenski
+Edmund Ahee, Sr.
+Lois Mann

Mass Intentions - Please Note:

Mass intentions may be arranged by coming into the parish office. 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 must be received 14 days prior to publication to be published and read at Mass.

There will not be a 7:30 morning Mass on Monday April 8th or Tuesday April 9th Please see page 10 for Mass times in our Family



Knights of Columbus

*Annual Tootsie Roll
Fundraising Drive*

Weekend of April 12-15

Donations will be accepted
following all weekend masses.



Please donate your clean
bottles and cans to the
Knights of Columbus
Money collected will be
used to help numerous
organizations.

Donations may be brought to the
Mary's Garden Vestibule.

For more information,
please contact: Dennis Hyduk at 313.969.7650



Girl Scouts.

Do you have any United States Flags but are unsure how to dispose of them properly?

The Our Lady Star of the Sea Girl Scout Troop will collect U.S. Flags after all Masses on
April 13th and 14th and April 20th and 21st.

Please place your flags in the large collection box in the back of the church.

These flags will be delivered to the Knights of Columbus Assembly 2696, who are hosting a US Flag Retirement
Ceremony on April 27 at St. Paul on the Lake starting at 6:30pm.



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.

An Invitation to Serve as a Lector



The Parish needs some new lectors to serve along with our existing team of dedicated lectors.

Do you read aloud well? We'd love for you to share your gift for reading aloud with us by
proclaiming the Word during Mass.

Our lectors find that participation in the Lector Ministry gives them an increased
understanding of and appreciation for Sacred Scripture.

Lectors are normally scheduled to serve about once a month at the Mass they normally attend.

No experience is necessary. Anyone who has been Confirmed may serve as a lector. A single training session will
be scheduled at your convenience.

Contact Terry Varani for additional information. (313 492-8327 or terry.varani@gmail.com)



The **33 Days to Eucharistic Glory** will forever change the way you and/or your entire family spends time with Jesus in the Eucharist!

This book is an invitation to participate in a sacred journey—a spiritual pilgrimage. It’s an unprecedented guide that will lead you and/or your family to encounter Jesus in the Eucharist like never before . . . and it will change you in the most marvelous of ways.

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You will be inspired to:

- Learn the astonishing history of the Eucharist
- Dive into the Bible for profound wisdom
- Meet saints who lived in Eucharistic Glory
- Apply practical lessons to daily life
- Adopt a daily virtue to strengthen your faith
- Experience daily spiritual communion with God

Prepare for an explosion of grace in your family. Grace is the assistance God gives us to do what is good, true, noble, and right. And there is no better way to receive God’s grace than through the Eucharist.

Are you ready for the journey of a lifetime?

Books will be available soon to begin the journey on May 1st



Sacristan Needed

The Sacristan Ministry at Star is looking for someone to join our Sunday 11:30 am

Sacristan Team.

Sacristans are scheduled to serve once a month, but are able to switch with other sacristans on their team whenever needed.

Responsibilities for 11:30 am sacristans include setting up for Mass and locking up the church after Mass.

No experience is required. We will show you exactly what you need to do. This is a wonderful ministry for individuals, couples, or families, and a nice way to get involved in the Parish.

Contact: Terry Varani
terry.varani@gmail.com
313 492-8327

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PLEASE CONSIDER we are in urgent need of Volunteers to help bring Holy Communion to the sick and the homebound of our parish.

Please consider even if you are not a Eucharistic Minister at Sunday Mass.

- + We visit our homebound on Friday mornings
- + You are scheduled approx. one time per month (we are trying to schedule 2 ministers each week so you would only have to visit 4 homes)
- + Time involved depends on how many homes we visit.
- + Training will be done with a current volunteer on a Friday

Please contact the Parish Office (313-884-5554).

Our Homebound have requested that you wear a mask.

All volunteers must have completed The Virtus Training



We warmly welcome the newly baptized
Baptized March 30, 2024
by Msgr. Gary Smetanka

BAPTISM Penelope Rose Bilbrey

Child of: David & Jessica (Tevlin) Bilbrey
Godparent: Katelyn Rose Oliver
Christian Witness: Paul Oliver, Jr.

Gwendolyn Sage Bilbrey

Child of: David & Jessica (Telvin) Bilbrey
Godparent: Anthony Oliver
Christian Witness: Elizabeth Ebenhoeh



Raffle Winners

- 1st: Mary Francis -\$5,000
- 2nd: Jeanette Franck-\$1,000
- 3rd: James Kelly - \$1,000

Marriage Coaching – Help for Your Marriage

Are you struggling in your marriage or in need of a marriage refresher and not sure where to turn for help?

The Marriage Support Office of the Archdiocese of Detroit is pleased to offer the **Marriage Coaching program** – a couple-to-couple mentoring opportunity designed to assist couples fully live out God's plan for their marriage.

When differences begin dividing, hurt is hardening the heart, growing pains are becoming regular pains, and the passion and affection is lacking, then your marriage needs help. Like our vehicles that need preventative care, tune-ups or repairs to prevent major damage, so do our marriages.

Trained Coaching Couples will give the support and practical tools needed to help couples restore and realize the relationship they desire for their Catholic marriage. The Marriage Coaching program consists of seven main coaching sessions that are strictly confidential and provided at no cost.

To learn more and get started with the help you need for your marriage contact: 313-237-4680 | www.aod.org/marriagecoaching | familyministry@aod.org. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

Whether you are wanting a marriage tune-up, feeling stalled, or experiencing a downward spiral, you need not settle for anything less than the fullness that God intends for your marriage relationship.

No need to delay, there is help for your marriage ...contact us today!
Sponsored by the Archdiocese of Detroit, Office for Marriage Support



OLSOS 8th Grade Presents



April 20, 2024
Star Gym

6:30 DOORS OPEN 7:00 GAME BEGINS

\$25 per person OR \$175 for a Table of 8

Pizza Provided BYO- Snacks, Desserts, Adult Beverages
Cans/Bottles, Coolers Welcome

Questions contact Danielle Trudel d.trudel@stargp.org OR Amy Clor a.clor@stargp.org
Compete and return to the school office with payment. Checks payable to Our Lady Star of the Sea

Main Contact Name and Email

Player 1

Player 2

Player 3

Player 4

Player 5

Player 6

Player 7

Player 8

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

**Recertification and/or
Certification is mandatory for
ALL VOLUNTEERS**

To complete the workshop visit www.virtusonline.org
For questions or help logging in contact
1-888-847-8870

Stewardship Thoughts

Today's First Reading from the Acts of the Apostles details how the early community of believers was of one heart and mind, portioning all possessions with no claim of ownership over them. All goods were held in common and distributed according to need. In his First Letter and Gospel, St. John teaches us about strength of faith in Christ, which guides us to love God and to answer His commission to send disciples forth to conquer the world. We profess in awe and love, along with St. Thomas, *My Lord and my God! As faithful stewards, these passages should inspire us to share our many blessings with our parish, the Archdiocese, the worldwide Church, and our neighbors in great need. Pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy with your family.*



**Save the date
June 2 at 1:00pm**

Eucharistic Procession from St Paul on the Lake
to Our Lady Star of the Sea

The Corpus Christi procession is a centuries-old tradition of the Catholic faith to process the Real Presence of Jesus — the Eucharist — in public.

MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW

Bereavement Group



APRIL MEETING IS CANCELLED
SEEKING THE LIGHT OF DAY

A faith based group meeting
Our Lady Star of the Sea
FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH
1:00 pm - in the Pointe
Questions? Contact the Parish office
313-884-5554



**OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA
PRAYER & EUCHARISTIC CHAPEL**
open 6am-11:30 pm

Jesus is Risen, He is Here!

Divine Mercy Sunday

"Adore, in the Blessed Sacrament, My Heart, which is full of mercy" (Words of Jesus to St. Maria Faustina of the Blessed Sacrament, Divine Mercy in My Soul, 1572).

"My Heart overflows with great mercy for souls, and especially for poor sinners. If only they could understand that I am the best of Fathers to them and that it is for them that the Blood and Water flowed from a fount overflowing with mercy. For them I dwell in the tabernacle as King of Mercy. I desire to bestow My graces upon souls, but they do not want to accept them. You, at least, come to Me as often as possible and take these graces they do not want to accept. In this way you will console My heart" (ibid, 367).



3 year (2022 - 2025) goal is
\$2,500,000.

Raise the Roof update

Donations received to date	\$487,833.25
% of goal	19.5%
shortage for project	\$2,012,166.75

Thank you to those who have already given!



Please pray for:

In memoriam

4/8/1969 William J. Schemer
4/8/1976 Carmela Carmisino
4/8/1980 Joseph Sidzina
4/8/1987 Anne Marie Lesmeister
4/8/2002 Thomas Landau
4/8/2021 Robert Nesom
4/8/2021 Abigail Schorer
4/9/1976 Mary Ann Gasko
4/9/1979 Ellen Smith
4/9/1983 Richard Patterson
4/9/1986 Gertrude Galazka
4/9/1986 Evelyne Rupp
4/9/1989 Thomas Weidig
4/9/1999 Marcella Dohany
4/9/2006 Frank Evanski
4/9/2007 Gloria Matouk
4/9/2012 Denise Jones
4/9/2019 Robert Veneri
4/10/1983 Henry Chase
4/10/1983 Arthur Sutherland
4/10/1987 Margaret Mamer
4/10/1992 Catherine Karschna
4/10/1995 Genevieve Groesbeck
4/10/1996 James Brophy
4/10/1999 Loretta Ullrich
4/10/2005 Jeremiah Kenney
4/10/2006 Frederick Khalil
4/10/2007 John Rodge
4/10/2018 Gladys Howe
4/11/1973 Beatrice Schafer
4/11/1974 Andrew Metz
4/11/1980 Jane LaJoie
4/11/1984 Jerome Cusenza
4/11/1988 Josephine Farabi
4/11/1996 Anthony Bozich
4/11/1999 William Ballew
4/11/2023 John Rashid
4/12/1961 Kalman Bator, Jr.
4/12/1978 William Herrington
4/12/1989 Stella Harrington
4/12/1990 Nicholas Wesich
4/12/2003 Eleanor Dupuis
4/12/2007 Vincent Scapini
4/12/2008 John Zainea
4/13/1964 Henry J. Shell
4/13/1969 Albert Ameal
4/13/1985 Herman Voight
4/13/1989 Helen Mall
4/13/2012 Donald Busch

In memoriam (continued)

4/14/1970 William Linde
4/14/1976 Anna Roach
4/14/1978 George Banning
4/14/1980 Clarence McGraw
4/14/1992 John E. Haas
4/14/1998 Anthony Werenski
4/14/2006 Winifred Ennis
4/14/2011 Michael Slomski
4/14/2014 Gloria Solomon
4/14/2017 Joseph Parus
4/14/2018 Rosa Morreale
4/14/2022 Mary Lou Wholihan

the sick

Michele Allen
Dave Barthel
Pam Barthel
Jennie Barzotti
Jeanne Collins
Kaynoa Dunn
Gavin Howitt
Christine Mathis
Virginia Merchant
Carol Nowinski
Delores Spezia
Cathy Spindler
Mary Surmont
Christopher Urban
Linda Vitale
James Victor
Fr. Francis Weingartz
Elaine Westerman
Pam Wilson
Thomas J. Youngblood

those in the military

Connor Barthel
James Patrick Carrier
Perry Carter
Josh Duffy
Richard Shetler, III
John Walker

PLEASE NOTE

Names will remain on the sick list for one (1) month unless the parish is notified otherwise.

For those in Military, we would like to pray for those who are active, Please contact us to add names to our list.

Parish Newsletter

Don't miss the latest news from the Parish!

Have you been getting our weekly newsletters via email?

Sign up for the newsletters by visiting our website under get connected, scan the QR code or call the office.

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



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The faithful departed

Mark Hrabovsky

Gary Gagliardi

(Son of Eleanor Gagliardi)

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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.

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PRIESTS IN SOLIDUM

Msgr. G. Michael Bugarin

Fr. Adam Nowak

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 (Moderator)

Fr. Jim Commy

586-771-8300

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

Daily: MF 9:00 a.m. W 12:00 p.m.

ST VERONICA

PRIEST IN SOLIDUM

Fr. Stan Pachla

586-777-0331

Mass Times

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

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

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