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"I AM NOT CAPABLE OF DOING BIG THINGS, BUT I WANT TO DO EVERYTHING, EVEN THE SMALLEST THINGS, FOR THE GREATER GLORY OF GOD."

~SAINT DOMINIC SAVIO



OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

With Mary, we bring people to Christ to live the love of God Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

# Mass times & information

SAT	4:00 p.m. (Vigil)
SUN	8:00 a.m.
	9:30 a.m.
	11:30 a.m.
MON - THU	7:30 a.m.
FRI	8:30 a.m.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

 MON - THU 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

 FRI 8:00 a.m. - Noon

 SAT
 Closed

 SUN
 Closed

 Holidays
 Closed

FAITH FORMATION 313-884-7407

#### 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

Must be a registered member, in good standing, of OLSOS. Archdiocesan law requires advance notice of at least six months.

#### PARISH REGISTRATION

Newcomers to the parish may register in the Parish Office or online at OLSOS.org. 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.



Today we celebrate the start of Catholic Schools Week. For many, many years, Catholic schools were in relative abundance, especially in the Archdiocese of Detroit. If you are old like me, remember the time when almost every parish had their own school and there was great competition between them. Now, of course, there are few Catholic schools and still some competition, however the competition

might be more for existence than anything else!

So many thousands of people are products of Catholic schools. When you get them talking, they usually focus on the treatment some received from "the nuns" in elementary school. There certainly are some pretty good stories out there! The stories you hear about the treatment from some of the religious brothers or priests in high school were also frightening and comical. Nonetheless, there are also many testimonies about the formation, above and beyond the education, they received in Catholic school. The dedicated and passionate teachers in Catholic schools were always seeking to provide much more than the mere academic aspect of school for they were concerned about all aspects of life in our current world. They were concerned about a respectful social life, a life of service to others, a healthy lifestyle and certainly a solid life not only knowing the faith but in the living and practice of the faith.

Do Catholic schools still have a place in the educational system? Absolutely. They are still generally known and respected for their discipline, higher standards in education and of course the passing on of the faith and its integration in life. Are they perfect? No. No school or school system is. Are they still important in the formation of future vocations for the Church? Absolutely. Even with the decline of religious sisters, brothers, and priests teaching in the schools, the Catholic mission and philosophy continues and generates vocations for the Church. There are so many wonderful aspects of Catholic schools, it is no wonder why many, many people who are products of them will say in a heartbeat, "I'd choose them again."

Our school has a long history of excellence in a solid education as well as faith formation. Thanks to all of you who are so supportive of Catholic schools in general and certainly our own parish school. Yes, parish schools are expensive to the parish as well as to the school families, but they are priceless in the formation of the students and the community.

\*\* Thanks again for your faithful stewardship to the parish. Remember your Sunday envelope each and every Sunday. A very easy and helpful way to steady stewardship to the parish is through Faith Direct. www.faith.direct/MI1044 or call their Customer Service team at 866-507-8757.

\*\* Prayers, please, for our second grade students. Last week they received the Grace from the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time. Pray for their continued understanding and love the Mass and the Eucharist as they continue to come to Sunday Mass every week with their family in preparation for their First Holy Communion.

Have a great week in the Lord's peace. Continue to pray for one another.

Msgr. Gary Smetanka

## **Please pray for:**

### In memoriam

#### 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

# the sick

Jennie Barzotti Jeanne Collins Sam D'Anna Greg DeMars Barbara Drader Kaynoa Dunn Mary Anne Gargaro Christine Mathis Tom Moceri **Cathy Spindler** JoAnne Spring Mary Surmont E. Noreen Szymborski Joyce Tranchida Suzanne Underwood Christopher Urban James Victor Martha Victor Pam Wilson

# those in the military

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

#### MASS INTENTIONS What does it mean to have a Mass "offered" for someone?

An individual may ask a priest to offer a Mass for several reasons: for example, in thanksgiving, for the intentions of another person (such as on a birthday), or, as is most common, for the repose of the soul of someone who has died.

It is worth noting, however, that the offering of the Mass for that intention does not depend on it being publicly voiced but on it being specified in the priest's personal prayers. Similarly, if a priest announces that "I am offering this Mass for [such and such an] intention" he does not thereby require the rest of the congregation to pray for that intention.

# Mass Intentions

Monday, January 27 7:30 a.m. +Nelson Rupp

Tuesday, January 28 7:30 a.m. +Vito Cusenza Victoria Treder

Wednesday, January 29 7:30 a.m. Henry Bolton

Thursday, January 307:30 a.m.+Bettejean Ahee

Friday, January 31 8:30 a.m. Fran Bauer

Saturday, February 1

4:00 p.m. +David Graham +Joseph Dillon

#### Sunday, February 2

8:00 a.m.	OLSOS Parishioners Increase in Religious Vocations +Gil Pendolino
9:30 a.m.	+Mary Bojalad +Alan Gerlach +Kyle A. Brown +Bertrand "Bob" Plourde
11:30 a.m.	+Virginia Mushenski +Jazzmin Spindler +Edmund Ahee, Jr. +Aaron Blair

Mass intentions may be requested online at https://www.olsos.org/mass-intentions

#### **Mass Intentions -**

**Please Note:** Mass intentions may be arranged by coming into the parish office or online at *www.olsos.org/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.



7:00 pm in the church



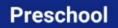
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467 Fairford. Rd. Grosse Pointe Woods

# **OPEN HOUSE** + ART SHOW January 26, 2025 | 12:00 - 3:00 PM

# MIDDLE SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE January 29, 2025 | 6:30 PM



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www.starschoolgrossepointe.org

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#### THE PRAYER FOR THE JUBILEE YEAR

Father in heaven, may the faith you have gifted us in your Son Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity kindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us, the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for treasures of heaven. May the same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer. throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.



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

## Adoration

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



An Inner Journey: A Three-Part Series

Are you feeling depleted from life experiences and longing to let go and be restored? Come and spend some quiet time praying, reflecting, and sharing with facilitators Faith Offman and Sr. Joanne Peters, OP. Dominican Center's three-part series offers the opportunity to listen to where God is in your life and create a path that leads to the essence of who you are. The three sessions connect, building on your relationship with the Divine. Sessions are on February 19th, April 16th, and June 18th at St. Paul of the Cross Retreat and Conference Center in Detroit. Lunch is provided. All are welcome. The cost is \$50 per session or \$120 for all three. You can find more information **at www.dominicancenter.org.** 



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Join Us for a Life-Changing Pilgrimage! 🔭 Calling all high school students and young adults (up to age 36)! 🔭

2025 is a Jubilee Year, and we're traveling to Rome to celebrate with millions of Catholics from around the world and Pope Francis!

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Don't miss out! Contact Jack Novak Today: j.novak@stargp.org

# **ADULT BIBLE STUDY**

Luke: The Story of Salvation Fulfilled The Gospel of Luke captures salvation history, from John the Baptist's foretold birth to Jesus' ascension, with unique elements like the Road to Emmaus and parables of the Prodigal Son and Good Samaritan, emphasizing Jesus' mercy. An 8-part study by Jeff Cavins and Dr. Jeffrey Morrow explores Luke's ties to Mary, the Rosary, and the Mass, enriching prayer and faith.

**Every Thursday:** February 6th - March 27th

ADVENTUR

Luke The Story of Salvation Fulfilled

FF CAVINS and JEFFRE

Ways to Sign Up:

**Morning Session:** 9:30-11:00am

**Evening Session:** 7:00-8:30pm

Option 1: Scan the QR code

Option 2: Cut out and return slip

\$35 Per Person **Questions directed to** Jack Novak:

j.novak@stargp.org

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**CIRCLE YOUR SESSION** MORNING EVENING

## Phone Number:

Please return to parish office with payment of \$35 in the form of cash or check.

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March 1, 2025 The War Memorial

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to support the OLSOS Auction by becoming a Patron, Auction Donor, Sponsor, or Advertiser. Visit the Auction website or call 313.423.9104. Of course, we also hope you plan on attending with the others in our Star Community!



Received as of 1.18.25. Patron donations are gratefully accepted through March 1st. Those received prior to February 15th will be acknowledged at the event and in the event program.

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Dear Star Family and Friends -

I wonder if it has ever occurred to

you what our Choir does in the days and weeks that follow Christmas... We start practicing for Easter! Yes, while most of us still have our Christmas decorations up, we begin working on music for the Sacred Triduum. This season, Easter falls a bit later in the year so we have some extra time to prepare, but that just means that we can work some additional music and perhaps music that is a bit more challenging - all for the Glory of God! With that in mind, we would love to welcome new singers to our ensemble - which is very much a family within our parish family. The choir, like most of our ministries, is open to any Confirmed Catholic, and if you are looking for a fun, challenging, activity within the parish, and you have some musical background, or are open to learning some new skills we'd love to have you. You don't have to be able to read music, many of our members do not, but you should be able to carry a tune, and certainly be open to direction.

We rehearse every Wednesday night, in church from 7-8:30pm - with some additional small group rehearsals scheduled as needed. If you'd like more information, please email or call Aaron in the office. Our choir is grateful for your continued support and we thank you for your consideration!

a.kaleniecki@stargp.org or

313-884-5554



FAITH DIRECT Support Our Lady Star of the Sea through *online giving* 

To enroll scan the QR code, Text "ENROLL" to 313-887-6612 or visit Faith.direct/M1044





# 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



As wildfires continue to devastate communities across California, we are called to respond with the compassion and generosity that defines our Catholic faith. Families have lost their homes, their livelihoods, and their sense of stability. In these moments of great need, Catholic Charities USA is providing lifesaving resources to those directly impacted by these tragic events.

**100% of your donation will go directly toward wildfire relief efforts.** Your gift will help provide essential resources such as food, water, shelter, and long-term recovery assistance for those most affected by this disaster.

Together, as a community of faith here in southeast Michigan, we can make a meaningful difference. Let us unite in prayer and action to bring hope and healing to those who are suffering.



Thank you for your generosity and care for those in need.

Scripture Rea	dings
For the Week	of January 26, 2025
Sunday	Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
	Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15;
	1 Cor 12:12-30 or 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27;
	Lk 1:1-4, 4:14-21
Monday	Heb 9:15, 24-28; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6;
	Mk 3:22-30
Tuesday	Memorial of Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest and
	Doctor of the Church
	Heb 10:1-10; Ps 40:2, 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11;
	Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday	Heb 10:11-18; Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4; Mk 4:1-20
Thursday	Heb 10:19-25; Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Mk 4:21-25
Friday	Memorial of Saint John Bosco, Priest
	Heb 10:32-39; Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 23-24, 39-40;
	Mk 4:26-34
Saturday	Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75;
	Mk 4:35-41
Sunday	Feast of the Presentation of the Lord
	Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10; Heb 2:14-18;
	Lk 2:22-40 or Lk 2:22-32



Stewardship Thoughts

Today, from the Book of Nehemiah and St. Luke's Gospel, God's Word is proclaimed to the people. Although the assembly in the Old Testament embraces Ezra's declaration, Jesus' profession that He is the anointed One does not go as well in His hometown. We can enhance our relationship with Christ by absorbing and reflecting on the readings proclaimed before the Eucharistic celebration at Mass, and by personally reading the Bible as several of our Holy Fathers have encouraged over the years. Read a few Scripture verses daily to allow the power of the Holy Spirit to open the meaning of the Word to you. Consider the Lectio Divina exercise of Scripture study to inspire you to evangelize — to spread the Good News — through your stewardship actions.

Main Contact Name	Main Contact Email	
Name 1	Name 5	
Name 2	Name 6	
Name 3	Name 7	
Name 4	Name 8	

Please fill out form below and return with your payment to the school office. Make checks payable to Our Lady Star of the Sea.

Questions? Contact Amy Clor at 313-884-1070 or a.clor@stargp.org

Additional Trivia Night registration forms are available in the school office, parish office, and will be emailed to parents.

A Community Support Group for Family and Friends of Loved Ones with Memory Loss



Email: info@carpointesupport.org



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!





#### 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

**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.

# **Bereavement Group**



# SEEING 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

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