

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation: Saturday 4-4:30 p.m. You may also call the parish office to arrange for an appointment.

Baptism: 3rd Sunday of the month during or immediately after 10 a.m.

Mass, or at another pre-arranged time. Preparation classes are held quarterly. Please call the parish office for additional information.

Marriage: Please contact the pastor at least six months in advance. No wedding dates will be set until a couple has met with the pastor.

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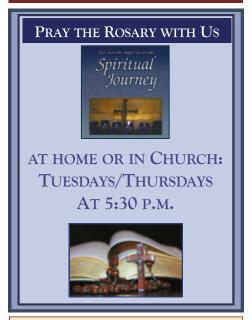
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Parish School

Our Lady of Lourdes offers preschool and kindergarten through 8th grade classes. Please call the School Office for more information at 317-357-3316.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to our Parish Family!
To register or to schedule a tour of
Our Lady of Lourdes, please call or
stop by the parish office.



BULLETIN DEADLINE

Please send your entries by **NOON** on **MONDAYS** to ensure your article will appear in that week's printing. If you have flyers to be inserted into the bulletin, please bring them to the parish office by 3 p.m. on Thursday.

THANK YOU!

parishsecretary@ollindy.org

Pastor's Corner

Dear brothers and sisters of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish,

Silence. Vocal participation (spoken, sung). As last week with silence and speaking before Mass, during Mass this is again a "both/and"

First, silence. What does the General Instruction to the Roman Missal (the book from which the presiding priest leads prayer from his chair and the altar) have to say about silence? There are a number of times for reflective silence by all present.

- During the Penitential Rite, when we are invited to pause and reflect, or in the words of Missal "before we celebrate these great mysteries, let us call to mind our sins."
- Whenever we hear "Let us pray", there is to be brief silence for us to compose ourselves for hearing "our" prayer said aloud by the presider.
- Before the first reading, we allow the room to quiet from the sound of our being seated.
- After the Responsorial Psalm, a longer silence allows for reflection on what we
 have heard proclaimed in the First Reading. A similar silence occurs after the
 Second reading.
- At times, after the Homily, a few moments are offered to reflect on what has been shared by the priest or deacon.
- A silence after the Holy, Holy, Holy, allows the church to quiet from our kneeling so that we might be attentive to the great Eucharistic Prayer. Such a silence also occurs after the Great Amen and before the Lord's Prayer.
- After the conclusion of the Communion Procession when all are seated, for our thanksgiving for the gift of the Body and Blood of Christ received.

As is evident, there is much silence called for by the Roman Missal and the common sense of pausing for the church to quiet that all might hear what prayer is to be prayed. Our time of prayer together is not a marathon of driving ever forward to the end. Rather, it is ideally "Kairos time", that is God time (in contrast to "Cronos" – clock time).

As I move from silence to speaking, a caution. During Mass or any communal prayer, we should refrain from personal conversations. Truly, there are exceptions: e.g., a child asking to go to the restroom, a parent attempting to quiet a toddler, an usher assisting in an emergency, etc. Other than these practical moments, conversations are not appropriate.

To our vocal moments for us all in responses and song at Mass: because the Mass is a communal prayer, it calls for communal participation. The Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy urges all to "full, conscious and active participation." That principal has been repeated for the past 60 years in many liturgical documents from the Vatican, the USCCB, and our own local archbishops, pastors and liturgy committees.

Our responses are integral to making the "prayer" of Mass our own. Let me note just one that could be better in most Catholic churches.

At the end of the prayers voiced by the presider – e.g., the Sign of the Cross and the Orations – our response is "Amen" – "so be it", or "yes".

Often, this word is voiced quietly or not at all. Ideally, it is voiced with faith and conviction. It is important for us to hear each other embrace the prayer with our response; it is a form of supporting each other's faith. Let's try to make our "Amen" as strong as our consistent praying together of the Creed!

And of course, there is singing. Our Lady of Lourdes has a wonderful history of congregational singing. That is due to the wonder of our beautiful church's acoustics: we can hear each other and are encouraged by the sound to add to it. And we have had a long history of good liturgical music. "The one who signs prays twice" noted St. Augustine. The psalmist encourages: "Make a joyful noise unto the Lord." St. Paul notes "in psalms, hymns and inspired songs." What a great gift to God and his people!

Now, I realize that some of us do not like to sing – bad childhood experience, not a part of our family's culture, or a dislike or horror at the sounds which come out when we do attempt to sing. I get it. My own father, Martin, did not sing. He could whistle anything! So, he had the ear for singing – but a baseball to the throat in his late teens made singing painful (physically and sonically!) – so he refrained. The other 8 of us – Mother and the brood of seven – made up for Dad's silence.

Let me offer a thought or two for those who are reluctant to sing. First, ask yourself: do I sing Christmas carols and hymns? Second, do I at least pick up the hymnal and read along the words of the song, psalm or hymn – unique proclamations of our beliefs, faith, longings, needs?

Both/and. Our silence and vocal participation at Mass, indeed whenever we gather to pray, is ours to do and ours in which to be enfolded. May both give praise and thanks to God, and build up the community of believers!

Father Rick

2 Easy Ways to Share Your Faith

Pope Paul VI wrote that "modern (people) listen more willingly to witnesses than to teachers, and if (they do) listen to teachers it is because they are witnesses." Please give your witness to our Confirmation candidates. It is at this age that most young people decide whether to hold to the faith and remain in the Church.

1 – share your witness individually, in person to candidates at our Jan. 21, 2024, meeting.

2 - write a letter to the Confirmation group

In either action, you may share what your own Confirmation meant to you. Why you remain in Christ and in his Church. Also, how you respond to God's grace of the fullness of the Holy Spirit and its gifts, which you received at Confirmation. Hearing different perspectives on the sacrament and living a Spirit-filled life will help them form their own understanding and response to God. Please respond with questions, letters, or to volunteer to:

mfallon@ollindy.org



As a Church, we are stronger together. The impact of your gift is essential to the people of our archdiocese and the mission given to us by our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!



"My education was funded by the United Catholic Appeal. I could not have done it on my own, I just couldn't have done it. To ensure that that happens, to make sure that people are there to help young men discern and grow in that holiness and happiness, we need the resources of the UCA."

Fr Eric Johnson, Vicar for Clergy

Scan to see a story about Priesthood



Share Your Faith with RCIA Seekers

Here is a way to fulfill your Christian obligation to evangelize without going door-to-door: share your faith with our RCIA participants who wish to join the Church. Beginning November 26, we will be excusing the catechumens from Mass (after the Liturgy of the Word) to discuss the readings for that day. We need 4-5 volunteers to lead the informative and faith -sharing discussions, on a rotating basis. A guidebook for the readings will be provided. Your involvement will help build the faith of our Catholic-curious learners, and help them meet more of the parish community! Talk with Matthew to serve God and the parish in this way, and thank you!

FRIENDS IN UKRAINE

We pray for all people in Ukraine, especially our friends:
Dmitriy Gvozdik, Yosyp Heletei, Vlad Mokryi, Ihor Liutak,
Oleksii Shtefan, and Illia Bezsmertnyi.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Susan Abel, Pam Aiello, Emilia Atkinson, Harold Barthé, Paula Bittelmeyer, Rose Boggs, Dick & Kathy Burgess, Denise Byers, Cathy Cancilla, Catherine C. Coop, Will Christiansen, Deborah Clayton, Marc Davis, Cassandra Budreau Dunne, Gilbert Durham, Mona Eitel, Norma Faye, Tina Fields, Teresa Foster, Jim Funk, Steve Gray, Katie Guzman, Ben Hall, Charles Hart, Isabelle Hofmeister, Kevin Houppert, Harold Irons, Michael James, Karen Jaskelski, Teresa Kerns, Randy Kidwell, Peggy Kloenne, Joseph Kossack, Joe Leach, Emerson Linde, Paul Linne, Mitzi Loomis, John Maag & Ellen, Jerry MacKenzie, Marilyn May, Mike Miller, Glenda Moore, Victoria O'Neil, Dale Page, Bernie Price, Joseph Rogers, Irene Roseman, Rhonda Roseman, Karen & Larry Thomas, Barb Tittle, Jimmy Warrenburg, Arianna Williams

Parish Office

Hours: Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. **Phone:** 317-356-7291

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Mass Schedule

Tues & Thurs 6 p.m. Wed & Fri 8:15 a.m.

Sat 5 p.m. Sun 10 a.m.

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SCHOOL NEWS

If you live in Irvington or take in any type of local media, you know that the Irvington Halloween tradition is in full "spirit." Last Sunday, our church hosted the community Spooky Organ Concert. Tuesday is Halloween. It would be nearly impossible to ignore Halloween at Our Lady of Lourdes School, a place whose history parallels that of Irvington.

Students in grades PK through four are invited to wear costumes to school on Halloween. Older students can dress in Halloween colors or the official Our Lady of Lourdes Halloween gear. Contrary to what your children might say, our teachers enjoy having fun, too, so watch for some creative dress from staff on Tuesday.

We have not forgotten at OLL, that Halloween and Día de los Muertos are rooted in Catholicism. All Hallow's Eve (Halloween) is the beginning of the All Saints Day celebration on November 1. The growing popularity of the sugar skull (calavera) and La Catrina (finely dressed skeleton woman) in North American Halloween culture are reminders that death is not to be feared. These festive, colorfully decorated skulls made of sugar and images of La Catrina traditionally adorn graves and ofrendas (family altars). They remind the faithful that death is not to be feared. We will join our loved ones in paradise one day.

While we have a lot of fun with some of the secular Halloween traditions, we remember that there are saints named and unnamed in heaven and souls who have departed our world that we hope to see again. We will be praying for them at Our Lady of Lourdes School.

- Angie Therber, Principal

READINGS: WEEK OF OCTOBER 29, 2023

Sunday: Ex 22:20-26; Ps 18:2-4,47,51; 1 Thes 1:5c-10; Mt 22:34-40

Monday: Rom 8:12-17; Ps 68:2,4,6-7,20-21; Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday: Rom 8:18-25; Ps 126:1-6; Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday: Rv 7:2-4,9-14; Ps 24:1bc-4b,5-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a

Thursday: Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-6; Rom 5:5-11; Jn 6:37-40 Friday: Rom 9:1-5; Ps 147:12-15,19-20; Lk 14:1-6

Saturday: Rom 11:1-2a,11-12,25-29; Ps 94:12-13a,14-15,17-18;

Lk 14:1,7-11

Help Support Our NCYC Participants

Help support our 11 high school students who will be attending the National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) from November 16-18, 2023, in downtown Indianapolis. The cost for each teen to attend is \$300, with a parish goal of \$5,000, to cover additional costs. Teens who attend come back energized in their faith and ready to serve the Church. If you would like to contribute to help make the conference more affordable for our 11 participants, there are a few ways to help.

- You can give online at **tinyurl.com/OLLncyc23** or through OLL's Online Giving website.
- There are also envelopes at the doors of the church.

 Checks may be made out to Our Lady of
 Lourdes, with "NCYC" in the subject line.

Thank you for your generosity to the faith formation of our youth!



NCYC BAKE SALE

October 28-29

Visit us on the West Walk!

Proceeds will benefit our OLL teens who will attend the National Catholic Youth Conference.

Help make our trip a success!

Mass Intentions

4:00 pm	Reconciliation †Mary Ann Hacker Req. by Barbara Clements
	October 2930th Sunday in Ordinary Time Pro Populo
5:30 pm	October 31
8:15 am	ay, November 1All Saints Day Peace in the Middle East Pro Populo
5:30 pm	Rosary †All the Faithful Departed
	ovember 3St. Martin de Porres †Catherine Ryan Rankin Req. by Maureen Bond
4:00 pm	Reconciliation †Tommy Chinn Req. by Cliff & Julie Wagoner
	November 531st Sunday in Ordinary Time Pro Populo

Ministry Schedule

Wednesday, November 1 - 6 p.m. Feast of All Saints					
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EMHC:	Sally Budreau (Host), Monica Collins (Host), Matthew Fallon (Cup), Priscilla Campbell (Cup), (Main Host)				
Hospitality Ministers:	(GE), Gilbert Durham (GN), (GW)				
Lector:	Jim Davis (A), Paige Kervan (B)				
Sacristan:	—— Cantor: Linda Caraher				
Servers: Hea	ath Nelson, Thurifer:				
Saturday, November 4 - 5 p.m. 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time					
ЕМНС:	Amy Petrone (Host), Julie Ritzi (Host), Deacon Tom (Cup), Jan O'Brien (Cup), Sally Budreau (Main Host)				
Hospitality Ministers:	(GE), Joe Hammond (GN), Dave Skirvin (GW), (UE)				
Lector:	Priscilla Campbell (A), Paige Kervan (B)				
Sacristan:	Larry Turner Servers: Valeria Huerta, Leia Sparks				
Cantor:	Michelle Kite				
Sunday, November 5 - 10 a.m. 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time					
ЕМНС:	Chris Kolakovich (Host), Mike Guinan (Host), Deacon Tom (Cup), Beverly Durham (Cup), Kirk Forster(Cup), Lilly Forster (Cup), Sue Wilson (Main Host)				
Hospitality Ministers:	John Lockhart (GE), Bob Eha (GN), Jim Lynch (GW), Bob Davey (UE), Éva Maciotok (Y)				
Lector:	Andrea Aikman (A), Sally Welch (B)				
Sacristan:	Tammy Buennagel				
Servers:	Clara McKiernan, Henry McKiernan				
Cantor:	Sylvia Zimmerman				
Small Linens Sacristan:	C.L.O.W. Leader: Emily Reuhs Bernice Berlage				

Please Sign-Up for Our Holy Day Mass!

Mass Childcare: Jenny McNulty, Tracy Warner

Calendar of EVEN

Saturday, October 28 4:00 pm Reconciliation The 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Church

5:00 pm Mass Sunday, October 29 8:30 a.m. SRE

10:00 am Mass

The 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Church

Church

School Church

Monday, October 30 - No Events Scheduled Today

Tuesday, October 31

5:30 pm Rosary 6:00 pm Mass Chapel 7:00 pm Boy Scouts Troop #8 Cafeteria

Wednesday, November 1 - All Saints Day (FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM REQUIRED)

8:15 am Mass (School) Church 6:00 pm Mass Church Welcome Committee BH-C 7:00 pm 7:30 pm RCIA BH-A

Thursday, November 2 - All Souls Day

BH-A&B 3:00 pm Girl Scouts K-1 Rosary 5:30 pm Chapel 6:00 pm Mass Chapel PPC - Exec Board 6:30 pm Rectory 7:00 pm Engagement Committee BH-A

Friday, November 3 - Noon Dismissal

8:15 am Mass Chapel

BLEST ART VISIT THIS WEEKEND IN BERNADETTE HALL The 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time SAINT MEINRAD Saturday, November 4

CONFIRMATION RETREAT 4:00 pm Reconciliation 5:00 pm Mass

The 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday, November 5

8:30 a.m. SRE 10:00 am Mass School Church

Independent Scripture Study for Women:

Take up and Read! Inviting women to read, to ponder, and to respond to the Word of the Lord. First, we take up and read the word of God daily. We know that the Bible is God's story for us, and we want to live in the center of that holy narrative every day. Through careful scripture study-both in print and on video-we seek the will of the Lord. God's word gives us words for one another, a common language of love in Him. We emphasize beginning the day with lectio divina and letting the fifth step actio - drive all aspects of living out the true call of an authentic Catholic woman. Plus check out all the other resources they have to offer. To learn more, click the link: https://www.takeupandread.org/

IN GRATITUDE WE SHARE



October 22, 2023

Actual Online Giving Budgeted Difference +/(-)	\$	9,890.00 3,791.00 <u>11,371.00</u> 2,310.00
YTD Sunday & Holy Day Actual Budgeted Difference +/(-)	\$	204,684.42 199,138.00 5,546.42
NCYC Fund	\$\$\$\$\$\$\$	103.00 500.00 22.00 333.00 153.00 817.00 478.00

Stewardship

"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind."

Do you put other "gods" before God? Is your love of money, power, status, comfort or some personal possession greater than your love for God? Do you recognize that everything you have and that everything you are is a gift from God? Living **Stewarding** by putting God first, in everything helps keep us from becoming a slave to our possessions and to our pride.

COMMUNION CALLS

If you know someone who would like to receive Holy Communion at home, please call the parish office at 317-356-7291.



Prayer Vine

To add someone's name to the Prayer Vine, please contact Laura Hughes at: vineollstb@gmail.com





Our Lady of Lourdes **Versiti Blood Drive**

Save the Date: Sunday, Nov. 12 - 9 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Our Goal is to collect 20 blood products, to help meet the demand from hospitals in our community. - You are a beacon of hope, whose kindness saves lives.

https://donate.indiana.versiti.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/159359



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Attention: First Reconciliation Families!

We are nearing the celebration of Reconciliation on November 11, at 10 a.m. Please complete the workbooks by November 6-7.

Knights of Columbus - Trunk or Treat!

Fatima Event Center Located at 1040 North Post Road Together, our new coffee house, God's Embrace and Our Lady of Fatima Council will host our first-ever Trunk or Treat on Tuesday, October 31, from 4:30 - 7 p.m. Halloween! For a safe and friendly environment, many organizations have started sponsoring trunk or treat events for the kids to dress up and go "trick or treating" from vehicle to vehicle. The Coffee House will open with assorted treats and warm drinks available for sale along with other things for the kids to do after trick or treating. In the Council Hall, a free photo booth will be provided for photos of the kids in their costumes. Various crafts will be featured as well. We need Council members and any friends of Council members to participate in this new event. Please plan to bring your vehicle, a lawn chair and whatever treats you wish to distribute to the kids. Plan on parking by 4 p.m. at the rear of the property, furthest from Post Road, for the safety of all involved. Folks not distributing treats are asked to park closer to Post Rd. and the building. You are welcome to bring any kids 13 or younger to attend this event. Those in the teen years are welcome to help with the activities in the building as well as help direct the kids. Hopefully with a good response we can make this an annual event.

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Support our NCYC Group Through Prayer and Fundraising

The 2023 National Catholic Youth Conference is 3 weeks away and fundraising is in full swing. Please consider supporting OLL high school students preparing for this incredible pilgrimage experience. The group of eleven teens has set a financial goal of \$5,000 to cover the cost of tickets, parking, meals, snacks, and tradable items, a popular Conference tradition.

Opportunities to support our participants include a Sock with Saints and Stickers sale from now until November 4th and a Bake Sale, THIS WEEKEND, after Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses.

In addition, donations may be made online using the links below or by dropping an envelope marked for NCYC in the collection basket at church. NCYC participants also request prayers and blessings as they prepare to encounter Christ, experience church, and to be empowered by discipleship, during NCYC 2023, November 16-28.

Donate online using the QR code or at tinyurl.com/OLLncyc23











Join Our Sock and Sticker Fundraiser for NCYC!

Our Sock and Sticker Fundraiser is in full swing supporting OLL's NCYC participants. Shop faith-inspired goodies, including Sock Religious Socks, and help us reach our goal. Perfect gifts for Christmas and Birthdays!

NCYC participants receive 50% of all purchases



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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Blest Art will be visiting your parish on behalf of the Christian families in Bethlehem, Palestine. Our mission is to support those families in the Holy Land.

For centuries, the Christians in and around Bethlehem have earned a living by carving religious olive wood art to sell to visiting pilgrims. Fewer pilgrims are journeying to the Holy Land today, making it difficult for those Christians to support their families. As a result, there has been a dramatic rise in Christian emigration from the Holy Land. Now, less than 1% of the population in the Holy Land is Christians.



Blest Art Inc helps the struggling Christian families of Bethlehem by marketing their artwork in the United States. Due to this work many Christian families maintain their livelihood and their ancestral homes in the land of our Lord.

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Thank you in advance for your purchase when we come to visit.

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