

**33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time** 

We, the faith community of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, strive to live, share and be Christ in all we do.

#### **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.

**Communion Calls:** Please call the parish office to arrange Communion calls for the home-bound.

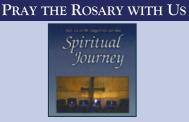
Anointing of the Sick: If you are going to have surgery, or have a chronic illness and wish to be anointed, please contact the parish office. If a family member is in or admitted to the hospital, <u>please</u> call the parish office at 317-356-7291.

#### 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.



AT HOME OR IN CHURCH: TUESDAYS/THURSDAYS AT 5:30 P.M.



### **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,

For the celebration of Eucharist, a priest is required. He is ordained to serve the sacramental needs, especially the Eucharistic needs, of the people of God.

We expect the priest to "show up," that is, be present each time Eucharist (Mass) is to be celebrated. His absence means no Eucharist from the altar to nourish and sustain.

What if the people of God do not show up? I pose this question because we are struggling at this time in history to arrive and celebrate as a full community.

In what follows, Pope Saint Leo the Great (middle of the 5<sup>th</sup> Century) reflects upon the universal priesthood in which all share.

How are we exercising our responsibility in the universal priesthood?

"Pope Saint Leo the Great taught that the sign of the cross with the oil called chrism, conferred on all Christians in baptism and confirmation, makes all sharers in the priesthood and kingship of Christ, the anointed one.

"Although the universal Church of God is constituted of distinct orders of members, still, in spite of the many parts of its holy body, the Church subsists as an integral whole, just as the Apostle says: *We are all one in Christ*.

#### A HOLY PRIESTHOOD OFFERING SPIRITUAL SACRIFICES

"No difference in office is so great that anyone can be separated, through lowliness, from the head. In the unity of faith and baptism, therefore, our community is undivided. There is a common dignity, as the apostle Peter says in these words: *And you are built up as living stones into spiritual houses, a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices which are acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.* And again: *But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people set apart* [1 Peter 2:9].

#### ANOINTED PRIESTS & KINGS

"For all, regenerated in Christ, are made kings by the sign of the cross; they are consecrated priests by the oil of the Holy Spirit, so that beyond the special service of our ministry as priests, all spiritual and mature Christians know that they are a royal race and are sharers in the office of the priesthood. For what is more king-like than to find yourself ruler over your body after having surrendered your soul to God? And what is more priestly than to promise the Lord a pure conscience and to offer him in love unblemished victims on the altar of one's heart?

#### OIL OF CONSECRATION

"Because, through the grace of God, it is a deed accomplished universally on behalf of all, it is altogether praiseworthy and in keeping with a religious attitude for you to rejoice in this our day of consecration, to consider it a day when we are especially honored. For indeed one sacramental priesthood is celebrated throughout the entire body of the Church. The oil which consecrates us has richer effects in the higher grades, yet it is not sparingly given in the lower.

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#### THE APOSTLE PETER

"Sharing in this office, my dear brethren, we have solid ground for a common rejoicing; yet there will be more genuine and excellent reason for joy if you do not dwell on the thought of our unworthiness. It is more helpful and more suitable to turn your thoughts to study the glory of the blessed apostle Peter. We should celebrate this day above all in honor of him. He overflowed with abundant riches from the very source of all graces, yet though he alone received much, nothing was given over to him without his sharing it. The Word made flesh lived among us, and in redeeming the whole human race, Christ gave himself entirely.

"This post on the priesthood of all Christians and the ministerial priesthood is an excerpt from a sermon by St. Leo the Great (Sermo 4, 1-2; PL 54, 148-149). The sermon was delivered on the occasion of his anniversary of his episcopal consecration. It appears in the Roman Office of Readings for the liturgical memorial of St. Leo the Great on November 10."

# Father Rick

*Taken from: <u>https://www.crossroadsinitiative.com/media/articles/baptismal-priesthood-</u> <u>ministerial-priesthood-leo-the-great/</u> Editing is Father Rick's.* 

#### Socialaires

The Socialaires will meet in Bernadette Hall on Wednesday, November 29 at 11:30 a.m. Bring a lunch. We'll visit and play games!

# Coffee & Doughnuts: November 26

Our next Doughnut Sunday will be November 26. Our sponsor will be the The Parish Council. If your group would like to sponsor a Sunday, please email Sally Bennett at: sallyb718@aol.com



# **Respect Life!**

"In addition to enshrining pro-life laws and policies, the transformation of our culture also requires continual conversion of our *own* hearts, so that we can recognize in every person the face of Christ and place their needs before our own." Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge, Chair of the USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities.

## 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, Vonda Sigman, Karen & Larry Thomas, Barb Tittle, Jimmy Warrenburg, Arianna Williams

#### Parish Office Hours: Monday - Friday 8 a.m.- 4 p.m. Phone: 317-356-7291

School Office Phone: 317-357-3316 Fax: 317-357-0980

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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## SUPPORT OUR TROOPS

Lt William Keyes, Capt Scott Godby, SrA Daniel Willett, Ssgt James Willett, A1C Brian Willett, Ssgt Travis Beasley, PFC Jacob R. Bakemeyer, Sgt Nicholas Eble, Lieutenant Michael B. Kennedy, USN, Lieutenant John S. Kennedy, MC, USN Major Steven E. Miller, USAF SSgt Tyler Brown, USAF

# SCHOOL NEWS

One community, Living faithfully, Leading academically. Most folks who participate in the Our Lady of Lourdes School and parish community are familiar with this phrase which we call our vision statement. Our faculty and staff have defined specific goals for our school with this vision as our guide.

Our specific goal within the community focus is to grow from our current enrollment of 207 to 265 within the next two years. We are working hard to find new ways to spread the word about everything we do to educate children. We are also working to ensure that all who desire a Catholic education at Our Lady of Lourdes feel welcomed into our community.

Related to the faith formation happening in our school, all faculty and staff are working to examine our mission statement, better align it with our vision, and then rewrite it. When the project is finished, our mission will reflect how we are incorporating our Catholic Identity during the 2020s. It will also be better aligned with the work we do to keep faith formation at the forefront of everything else our school teaches.

Our goal in the academic area is to help all students learn as much as possible during the time they are with us. Specifically, teachers are working on plans to help students understand their own grades and benchmark testing results and then set individual, realistic goals to achieve as the weeks progress.

We work regularly to ensure that one day these goals will become achievements. This work happens during our professional development work days every other month, faculty meetings, professional learning community (PLC) meetings, and through individually pursued professional learning opportunities.

Thank you for your support of all we do. We hope that you will notice the fruits of this work through your experiences as parents and parishioners in our community.

Angie Therber, Principal

#### **READINGS: WEEK OF NOVEMBER 19, 2023**

| Sunday:   | Prv 31:10-13,19-20,30-31; Ps 128:1-5; 1 Thes 5:1-6;<br>Mt 25:14-30                                      |
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| Monday:   | 1 Mc 1:10-15,41-43,54-57,62-63;<br>Ps 119:53,61,134,150,155,158; Lk 18:35-43                            |
| Tuesday:  | 2 Mc 6:18-31; Ps 3:2-7; Lk 19:1-10  |
| Wednesday | : 2 Mc 7:1,20-31; Ps 17:1,5-6,8,15; Lk 19:11-28   |
| Thursday: | 1 Mc 2:15-29; Ps 50:1-2,5-6,14-15; Lk 19:41-44<br>OR Sir 50:22-24, Ps 138:1-5, 1 Cor 1:3-9, Lk 17:11-19 |
| Friday:   | 1 Mc 4:36-37,52-59; (Ps) 1 Chr 29:10-12; Lk 19:45-48  |
| Saturday: | 1 Mc 6:1-13; Ps 9:2-4,6,16,19; Lk 20:27-40  |

# **Knights of Columbus**

Fatima Event Center Located at 1040 North Post Road Grand Knight, Andy Ritter, and his officers are inviting all members and their families to the Annual Fatima Thanksgiving Pitch-In Dinner at the Council on Monday evening, Nov. 20. The meal will commence with a prayer at 6:30 p.m. GK Andy and his officers will provide and serve the turkey, green beans, mashed potatoes, gravy, dressing & amp; rolls buffet style, while attending members and guests are asked to provide their favorite side, salad or dessert. Those with last names starting P-Z are asked to bring a dessert. Member last names A-O are asked to bring their favorite side or salad. Each dish should feed approximately 8-10 servings. Iced Tea and Lemonade will be provided. Full bar will be open for soft drinks and other liquor libations. As has been Council tradition, there will be no charge for the meal. For those of you who enjoy prepping for big feasts, the kitchen could use your help. You are welcome to help with the prepping, cooking or slicing either the prior Saturday, Sunday or Monday afternoon. If interested, contact the Council for more details Come join your brethren for an evening of good food, camaraderie and thanksgiving for our many blessings.

#### Mass Intentions

4:00 pm Reconciliation 5:00 pm †Nancy Field Reg. by Office of Catholic Schools Sunday, November 19......33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 10:00 am Pro Populo Tuesday, November 21....Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary 5:30 pm Rosarv

6:00 pm †William Linder Req. by Mr. & Mrs. Jim Miller

Wednesday, November 22.....St. Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr 8:15 am †Mark A. Barth Req. by Cliff & Julie Wagoner

Thursday, November 23......Thanksgiving Day 9:00 am For a Grateful Heart

Friday, November 24.....St. Andrew Dung-Lac & Comps Req. by Hofmeister Children 8:15 am *†*Fred Hofmeister

Saturday, November 25.....Jesus Christ, King of the Universe 4:00 pm Reconciliation Pro Populo 5:00 pm

Sunday, November 26.....Jesus Christ, King of the Universe 10:00 am †John Collins Req. by OLL Folk Choir

| Ministry Schedule         |                                   |                  |  |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|--|
| Thursday,                 | November 23 - 9 a.m.              | Thanksgiving Day |  |
| EMHC:<br>(Host),          | Andrew Warner (Host), Julie Ritzi |                  |  |
|                           | (Cup), (Cup),<br>(Main Host)      |                  |  |
| Hospitality<br>Ministers: | (GE), (GN), (GN), (GW), (UE), (   | Y)               |  |
| Lector:                   | Mark Caraher (A)                  |                  |  |
| Sacristan:                | Servers: Michael Biggs,           | ·                |  |
| Cantor:                   |                                   |                  |  |

#### **Please Sign-up for Our Thanksgiving Mass!**

#### Saturday, November 25 - 5 p.m. Solemnity of Christ the King

| EMHC:  | Mary Ann Coffey (Host), Cathy Kervan (Host),  |  |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|--|
|  | Julie Ritzi (Cup), Jan O'Brien (Cup),<br>Sally Krause (Main Host)   |  |  |  |
| Hospitality  |   |  |  |  |
| Ministers:   | (GE), Joe Hammond (GN), Dave Skirvin (GW),<br>Jim Lynch (UE)  |  |  |  |
| Lector:  | Jim Davis (A), (B)  |  |  |  |
| Sacristan:   | Paige Kervan  |  |  |  |
| Servers:   | Flynn Davis, Nolan Davis  |  |  |  |
| Cantor:  | Ann Skirvin   |  |  |  |
| Sunday, November 26 - 10 a.m. Solemnity of Christ the King |   |  |  |  |
| EMHC:  | Lilly Forster (Host), Jane Pittman (Host),<br>Chris Kolakovich (Cup), Andrew Warner (Cup),<br>Amy Duke (Cup), Mark Pittman (Cup),<br>Kirk Forster (Main Host) |  |  |  |
| Hospitality  |   |  |  |  |
| Ministers:   | John Lockhart (GE), Tammy Buennagel (GN),<br>Vic Berlage (GW), Mike Guinan (UE)   |  |  |  |
| Lector:  | Joe Therber (A), Mark Caraher (B)   |  |  |  |
| Sacristan:   | Linda Caraher   |  |  |  |
| Servers:   | Dominic McKiernan, Kate Pittman   |  |  |  |
| Cantor:  | Kate Miller C.L.O.W. Leader: Lorie Finch,   |  |  |  |
| Mass Childcare: Jenny McNulty, Morgan Rohlf                |   |  |  |  |
| Small Linens Sacristan: Penny Moss                         |   |  |  |  |

# Calendar of EVENTS

| Sunday, November 19<br>8:30 a.m. SRE The 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time<br>School |   |                     |  |  |
|---|---|---------------------|--|--|
| 10:00 am  |   | Church<br>Cafeteria |  |  |
|   | Pinewood Derby Registration<br>Pinewood Derby Race  | Cafeteria           |  |  |
| Monday.   | November 20   |                     |  |  |
| 7:00 pm   | Ordinary Women                                      | BH-A                |  |  |
| 7:30 pm   | Folk Choir  | Church              |  |  |
|   | November 21   |                     |  |  |
| 5:30 pm   | Rosary<br>Mass followed by Holy Hour                | Chapel<br>Chapel    |  |  |
|   | Boy Scouts Troop #8                                 | Cafeteria           |  |  |
|   | Creation Care Committee                             | BH-C                |  |  |
| Wednesday, November 22 - Grandparents' Day                                      |   |                     |  |  |
| 8:15 am<br>Noon   | Mass (School)<br>Early Dismissal (No Extended Care) | Church              |  |  |
|   | November 23 - Thanksgiving Day                      |                     |  |  |
|   | Mass & Blessing of Food                             | Church              |  |  |
| Friday, N   | ovember 24 - No School - Happy Th                   | anksgiving          |  |  |
| 8:15 am   | Mass  | Chapel              |  |  |
| Saturday, November 25 Solemnity of Jesus Christ Our King                        |   |                     |  |  |
|   | Reconciliation                                      | Church              |  |  |
| 5:00 pm   | Mass  | Church              |  |  |
| Sunday, November 26 Solemnity of Jesus Christ Our King                          |   |                     |  |  |
| 8:30 a.m.   |   | School              |  |  |
|   | Mass RCIA Rite of Acceptance<br>Coffee & Doughnuts  | Church<br>BH        |  |  |
| 11.00 am  | Conce a Doughnais                                   | BIT                 |  |  |

## East Deanery Thanksgiving Masses

Holy Spirit: Wednesday, 11/22 at 7 p.m. bilingual

Little Flower: Thursday, 11/23 at 9:30 a.m. St. Lawrence, Thursday, 11/23 at 9:15 a.m. Multilingual

St. Michael: Greenfield, Wednesday 11/22 at 6 p.m. & Thursday, at 9 a.m. St. Philip Neri: Thursday, 11/23 at 9 a.m.

Our Lady of Lourdes: Thursday, 11/23 at 9 a.m.



#### EUCHARISTIC ADORATION Tuesday, November 21, Holy Hour for Vocations

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will occur immediately upon conclusion of the 6 p.m. Mass.

Benediction will be at approximately 7:30 p.m.

# IN GRATITUDE WE SHARE



Due to Early Bulletin Deadlines, the financial information for November 12, 2023, will be reported in next week's bulletin.

Stewardship

*"Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you have been faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities."* - MATTHEW 25:21

God calls us to nurture and develop the gifts He has given us and then generously through **Stewardship**, return a portion with increase. He doesn't want us to waste or hoard the gifts He has given us. He expects us to grow our gifts, to use them wisely, and to be generous with them. Unfortunately, many of us are not generous in proportion to all that God has given us. God asks us to be generous with all our gifts, especially the one that means the most to you.

#### **URGENT NEED FOR CHILDREN'S COATS**



Winter is right around the corner and we have a shortage of children's winter coats. Please check your closets! If you have gently used or new children's winter coats sizes 2T-18 for both boys and girls, we would appreciate your donations. You can

drop them off at the Distribution Center dock (1201 E. Maryland St.) Monday-Saturday from 10 a.m.- 4 p.m. or at one of our blue donation boxes around the city. (https://www.svdpindy.org/i-want-to-help/find-a-clothing-bin/)

(https://www.svdpindy.org/i-want-to-help/find-a-clothing-bin/) We are also in need of sponsors to help support our **Dream a Little Dream** mattress program benefitting children and their families. Learn more about this program and how you can help at: https://www.svdpindy.org/dreams/

Thank you for helping us keep children warm and in their own beds this winter.

# Prayer Vine

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





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## **ADVENT MORNING OF REFECTION**



An Adult Christ at Christmas Exploring the Significance of the Christmas Narratives

Please plan on joining Deacon Paul Fisherkeller on the morning of **December 2, 2023**, for our annual Advent Morning of Reflection. This session will be held in Bernadette Hall beginning at 9 a.m. and conclude no later than 11 a.m. A continental breakfast will be available. Please watch this space and our newsletter for sign-up / RSVP info.



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# **Thanksgiving Day** November 23, 2023

Doors open at 11:00 am for Social Hour Dinner Served Noon to 2:00 pm Dinners delivered upon request Our Lady of Lourdes School Cafeteria 30 S. Downey Avenue

Hosted By: Irvington Churches

No Charge, but "Free Will Offerings" Gratefully Accepted To attend or request delivery, please contact the Parish Office at Our Lady of Lourdes at 317-356-7291 or parish@ollindy.org by Tuesday, November 21st.

There are several ways you can contribute to the success of this event:

**SIGN UP** to bring food, cook a turkey, or volunteer at https://tinyurl.com/OLLThanksgiving23

**DONATE** towards this event at https://tinyurl.com/ThanksgivingFund23





# The Our Lady of Lourdes Conference of THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

invites the parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes to join us in serving the needy families of our neighborhood this Christmas season by participating in the following activities:

# CHRISTMAS FOOD DRIVE Saturday, November 25 through Sunday, December 10

You are invited to bring the following items to church by **Sunday, December 10** and place them in the grocery cart at the back of church. These items will be used to complete a ham dinner to be distributed prior to Christmas.

Boxed instant mashed potatoes Boxed stuffing Canned cranberry sauce Canned fruit Canned yams Canned gravy Canned corn Packaged cookies Christmas candy

The above are recommendations only. All other items are welcome and if not used for the Christmas baskets will be distributed to needy people in our community.

# CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE Through Saturday, December 16

You are invited to buy a Christmas gift for a needy child in the neighborhood. Please go to https://tinyurl.com/SVDPGivingTree23 or use QR Code below to sign up.



All gifts are due by the 5pm Mass on **Saturday, Dec. 16**. Gifts may be dropped off at the parish office during business hours or at the back of church by the Giving Trees prior to Mass.

# CHRISTMAS GIFT & FOOD BASKET DELIVERY Sunday, December 17

Gifts and food baskets will be delivered after 10am Mass on **Sunday, Dec. 17** from **11am – 1pm**. To help deliver, meet at the basement (rear) door of the rectory.

Thank you for any assistance you can offer!