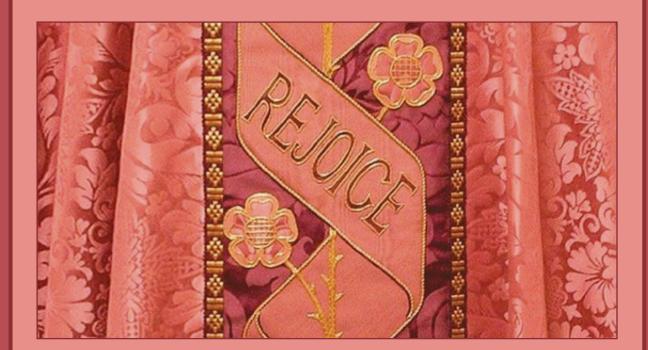
March 10, 2024



FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT LAETARE SUNDAY

But whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God. -Jn 3:21

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.

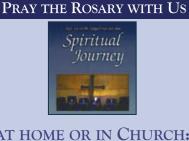
Anointing of the Sick: If you are going to have surgery, or have a chronic illness and wish to be anointed, please contact the parish office. If a family member is in or admitted to the hospital, <u>please</u> call the parish office at **317-356-7291**.

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,

This weekend the liturgical color is "rose" (not pink!) Each Advent and Lent, there is a weekend which is marked out "Rejoice!" In Advent, it is Gaudate Sunday (Latin, "joyful"). In Lent, it is Laetare Sunday (Latin, "Rejoice" – an imperative verb, nearly a command).

As we note this day when we are commanded to "Rejoice" – for we soon shall celebrate the great Paschal Mystery laid out for us during Holy Week – I offer one of the psalms for our daily prayer. May the "command" to rejoice echo deeply in our hearts!

Antiphon: *Give joy to your servant, Lord; to you I lift up my heart.

Psalm 86

Turn your ear, O Lord, and give answer * for I am poor and needy. Preserve my life, for I am faithful: * save the servant who trusts in you.

You are my God, have mercy on me, Lord, * for I cry to you all the day long. Give joy to your servant, O Lord, * for to you I lift up my soul.

O Lord, you are good and forgiving, * full of love to all who call. Give heed, O Lord, to my prayer * and attend to the sound of my voice.

In the day of distress I will call * and surely you will reply. Among the gods there is none like you, O Lord; * nor work to compare with yours.

All the nations shall come to adore you * and glorify your name, O Lord: for you are great and do marvelous deeds, * you who alone are God.

Show me, Lord, your way so that I may walk in your truth. * Guide my heart to fear your name.

I will praise you, Lord my God, with all my heart * and glorify your name for ever; for your love to me has been great: * you have saved me from the depths of the grave.

Father Rick

Confirmation Assistants Needed: April 25

Seventeen of our parish eighth-graders will be travelling to the Cathedral to have Archbishop Thompson confer the sacrament of Confirmation upon them. We will need volunteers to help make the Mass happen. Please volunteer to be a minister of hospitality or Eucharistic minister; show them your support, and help make the night special for our confirmandi! Mass begins at 7 p.m. and helpers should arrive by 5:30 p.m.

Thank You for Your Support of RCIA Participants

You gave the RCIA participants strong affirmation in the past few weeks, that's great! You can start planning to support next year's participants as well. Contact Matthew (**mfallon@ollindy.org**) to volunteer to touch the lives of new Catholic parishioners by providing hospitality, sharing your thoughts and witness, presenting a topic of faith that is of interest to you - so many things you could do.

Men's Monday Night Prayer Group

On **March 11**, the Men's Monday Night Prayer group will meet in Bernadette Hall at 7:30 p.m. All men are welcome! Please contact Bob Eha if you have any questions: **317-345-9884**

Knights of Columbus Fatima Council Ladies Auxiliary

The Ladies Auxiliary will hold their Spring meeting on Wednesday, March 13. The meeting will start at 6 p.m. and dinner will be served after the meeting. We will be discussing plans for the Ladies Auxiliary for 2024. All Ladies are welcome to attend. If you have any questions about the Auxiliary please contact Mary McGinley at 317-627-2840. If you are planning to attend, please text or call Holly Blagburn at 317-965-8781 or Mary McGinley at 317-627-2840 so we have an accurate count for dinner.

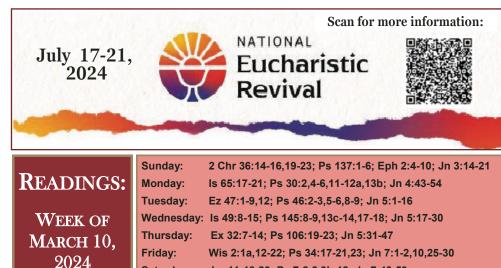
Easter Egg Hunt to be 3/30: Donations & Help Needed



CANDY: Please consider making a candy donation for

our annual Easter Egg Hunt. We have 4,000 eggs to fill. Any small, individually WRAPPED candy is acceptable. Also needed are items to be given away as "grand prizes." Donations may be left at the parish office. Thank you!

VOLUNTEERS: We are in need of helpers to assist with the distribution of plastic eggs and registration on the morning of the Easter Egg Hunt, **Saturday, 3-30, beginning at 10 a.m.** This is an excellent service opportunity for our teens. Egg filling will take place on Monday, 3-25, from 10 a.m. – noon. Interested? Contact Mary Williams (317-357-7329) or the parish office at (317-356-7291).



Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3,9b-12; Jn 7:40-53

VBS is Coming Soon!!

Kids really like Vacation Bible School! The plans and materials are all in place, we just need caring adults to share all this with them. It's time to begin lining up volunteers for games, faith sharing, crafts, skits, cafeteria help, music, etc. YOU can join this group of parishioners and help lead our young disciples to God! VBS will be here before we know it (mornings of June 10-14). So don't wait to hear God calling you! Contact Matthew for more info: **mfallon@ollindy.org**

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Susan Abel, Pam Aiello, Emilia Atkinson, Harold Barthé, Paula Bittelmeyer, Rose Boggs, Dick & Kathy Burgess, Denise Byers, Catherine C. Coop, Will Christiansen, Deborah Clayton, Marc Davis, Cassandra Budreau Dunne, 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, Teresa Kerns, Randy Kidwell, Joseph Kossack, Joe Leach, Emerson Linde, Paul Linne, Jay & Mitzi Loomis, John Maag & Ellen, Jerry MacKenzie, Sean Marcum, Jeff McBride, Marilyn May, Becky Miller, Mike Miller, Glenda Moore, Victoria O'Neil, Dale Page, Sandi Pavey, Bernie Price, Joseph Rogers, Irene Roseman, Rhonda Roseman, Kevin Schwering, 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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Parish Nurse

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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

A big thank you to all students, parents, staff, and other members of our community who participated to make our candy sale a success! It was a joy to see students embrace the opportunity to help make positive change in their school community.

Many of them demonstrated that they may have a career in sales in their future. There were social media sales pitches, competition between classmates and classes, and even a strategically planned sales call to my house, which proved to be a windfall for the sellers, because my husband and his world-renowned sweet tooth answered the door.

Considering all sales, extra donations to the playground fund inspired by the sale, and costs, we raised a total of about \$5,100!

Angie Therber, Principal

Spring Adult Scripture Study

Is it true that the parish Religious Education program is offering another Adult Scripture Study after Easter? It certainly is! Our next study will focus on the Book of Psalms. In the 7 meetings of this study (April 11–May 23, on Thursday mornings and evenings) we will examine the Royal Psalms, the Lament Psalms, and the Psalms of Declarative Praise. Study books will cost \$25; if you participated in the first part of the study, the same study book will be used for this study – no additional cost! If you were not a participant in the first look at the Book of Psalms, no problem: this is a stand-alone study, you will not be disadvantaged at all.





Join us for the Stations of the Cross Fridays During Lent <u>At</u> 7 p.m. in the Church

Decorating for Easter: Your Help Is Needed

The preparation of the church for our Easter celebrations will take place on Good Friday night, March 29, at 7 p.m. Please enter through "ramp" door. And thank you very much for your assistance.

Mass Intentions

4	aturday, March 94th Sunday of Lent / Laetare Sunday 00 pm Reconciliation 00 pm †Mary Ann Heneghan Bennett Req. by Fred Bennett
	unday, March 104th Sunday of Lent / Laetare Sunday D:00 am Pro Populo
5	Jesday, March 12Lenten Weekday30 pmRosary00 pm†Mike BisesiReq. by Richard & Penny Moss
	ednesday, March 13Lenten Weekday 15 am †Rezaur Rahman Req. by Carey Rahman
5 6 F	Aursday, March 14Lenten Weekday30 pmRosary00 pm†Fr. Jim Hall, MSCriday, March 15Lenten Weekday15 amOur Catholic Brothers & Sisters in GazaReq. by Stephen Wilson
4	aturday, March 165th Sunday of Lent 00 pm Reconciliation 00 pm Pro Populo
	unday, March 175th Sunday of Lent D:00 am †Michael Davis Req. by Bill Bakemeyer

Ministry Schedule March 16 -

Saturday, March 16 - 5 p.m. 5th Sunday of Lent						
EMHC:	EMHC: (Host), Nick Petrone (Host), Sally Krause (Cup), Luke Mervilde(Cup), Sally Budreau (Main Host)					
Hospitality Ministers:	, Jim Lynch (GE) Joe Hammond (GN), Dave Skirvin (GW), Priscilla Campbell (UN), (Y)					
Lector:	Mark Pittman (A), Paige Kervan (B)					
Sacristan:	Mary Morois					
Servers:	Flynn Davis, Nolan Davis					
Cantor:	ntor: Michele Kite					
Sunday, March 17 - 10 a.m.5th Sunday of LentEMHC:Jane Pittman (Host), (Host), Amy Duke (Cup), Paula Schenkenfelder (Cup) Kirk Forster (Cup), Lilly Forster (Cup), Andrew Warner (Main Host)						
Hospitality Ministers:						
Lector:	Lector: Sally Welch (A), Mark Caraher (B)					
Sacristan:	Tammy Buennagel					
Servers:	Blayne Gilbreath, Kate Pittman					
Cantor:	Linda Caraher Cho	pir: Adult Choir				
Small Linens Sacristan: Linda Abner						
Friday, March 22 - 7 p.m. Stations of the Cross						

 Friday, March 22 - 7 p.m.

 Lector:
 Sylvia Zimmerman (Lector A)

 Sacristan:
 Larry Turner

Stations of the Cross

PLEASE VOLUNTEER FOR OUR OPEN POSITIONS

"Ordinary Women" Meetings to Begin Again

Our next meeting will be **Monday**, **March 18**, in Bernadette Hall at 7 p.m. Please join us! All women of the parish are welcome. We will discuss the final chapter in "Your Life in the Holy Spirit," (the Appendix) during this meeting. We will return to our current



book, "Wisdom Jesus," with chapter 3, on April 1, (the Monday after Easter). For information, call Pat: **317-395-8186.**

Calendar of EVENTS

10:00 am 11:30 am		4th Sunday of	Lent / Laetare Sunday School Church Church BH-C BH	
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	, March 16 Reconciliation Mass		5th Sunday of Lent Church Church	
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Prayer Vine To add someone's name to the Prayer Vine, please contact Laura Hughes at: vineollstb@gmail.com

IN GRATITUDE WE SHARE							
of Giving	Marc	h 3, 2024					
Actual Online Giving Budgeted	\$	6,747.00 5,235.00 <u>13,388.22</u>					
Difference +/(-) <u>YTD Sunday & Holy Day</u> Actual Budgested	\$ \$	(1,406.22) 432,750.65 416,555.22					
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Memorial School Church in Africa Catholic Relief Services Aid to Church in E. Europe	\$ \$	5.00 280.00 90.00 20.00					
Endowment Black & Indian Missions Rice Bowl SVdP	\$ \$	135.00 85.00 80.00 338.00					

Stewardship

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son..." JOHN 3:16

Of all the wonderful gifts that God has given to us, the gift of His own Son is ruly the greatest. How can we ever thank God for a gift like that? God does not ask us to sacrifice our own precious firstborn, but He does ask us to live **Stewardship**, being grateful and generous with our God-given gifts. That we nurture and develop our gifts, and in gratitude, generously give back with increase our time in prayer, our talent in charitable works and our treasure to upport the mission and ministry, of our parish and greater Church.

Confirmation Candidates:

Your letters to Archbishop Thompson are past due!!! Do not wait any longer to write this full-page letter, according to the nstructions in your binder and return it right away to Matthew at: **mfallon@ollindy.org**



for OLL online giving or to make changes to your current online giving account.



Attention 2nd Grade Families!

The rescheduled **Explanatory Mass** will be held on **Thursday**, **April 11, at 6 p.m.** This is part of your child's preparation to receive the Holy Eucharist for the first time in May



COMMUNION CALLS

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



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WHO IS YOUR FAVORITE SAINT?

Our second graders have begun their preparations to begin receiving the Holy Eucharist. As part of their preparation, we'll discuss the Communion of Saints at our retreat. Please share which saint is significant to you and why in this form. Your input will enrich the children's understanding of this 'cloud of witnesses'.

Which saint do you enjoy or appreciate the most?

Why do you find her/him so interesting or admirable?

What else do you know about this saint?

PLEASE RETURN FORM TO THE PARISH OFFICE BY SUNDAY, MARCH 17