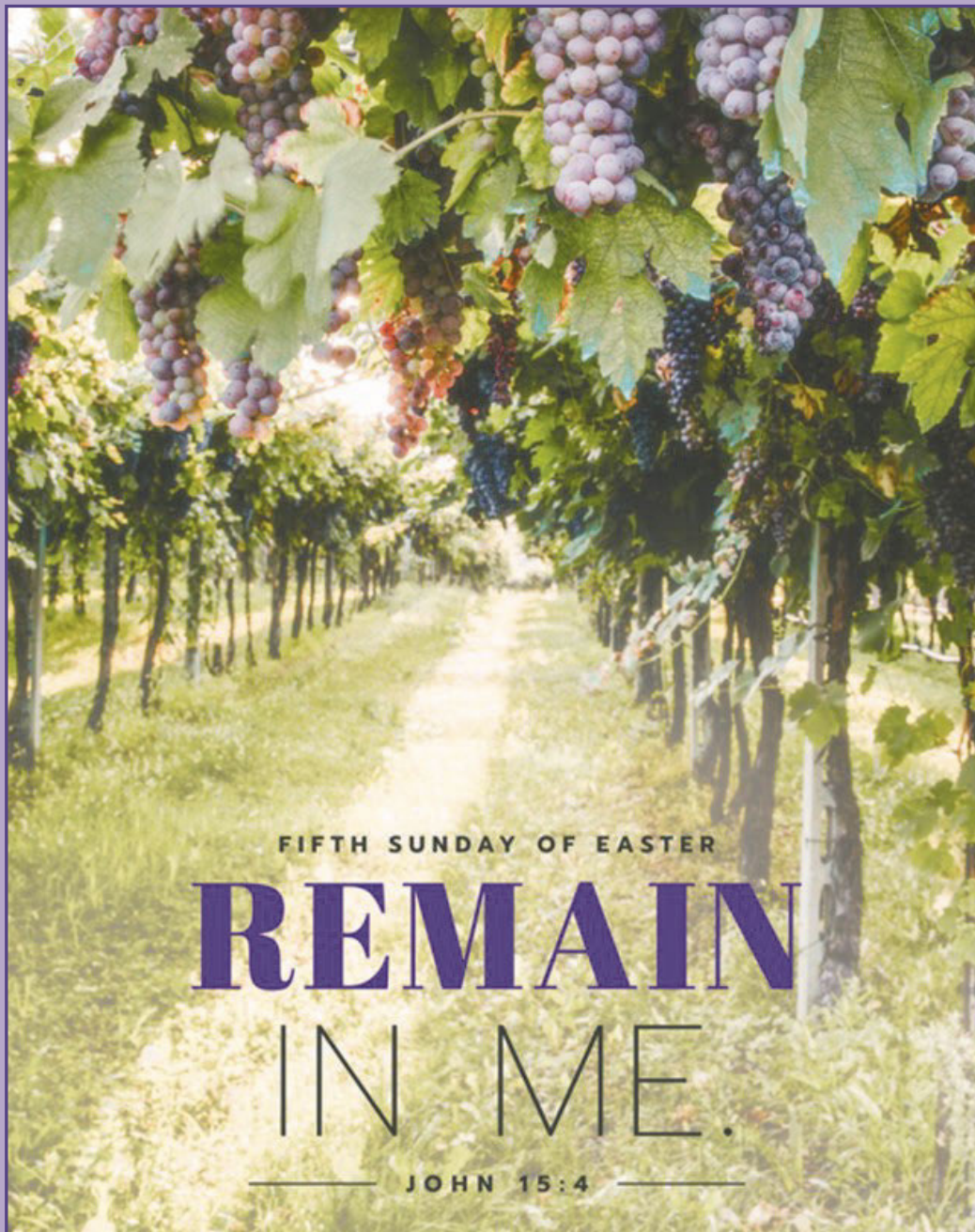


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**April 28, 2024**



*5th Sunday of Easter*

*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, please call the parish office at **317-356-7291**.

## PARISH SCHOOL

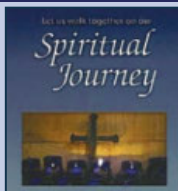
Our Lady of Lourdes offers preschool and kindergarten through 8th grade classes. Please call the School Office for more information at **317-357-3316**.

## NEW PARISHIONERS

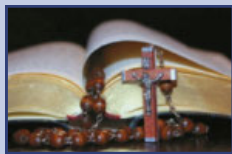
### *Welcome to our Parish Family!*

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

## PRAY THE ROSARY WITH US



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](mailto:parishsecretary@ollindy.org)

## Pastor's Corner

My dear brothers and sisters of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish,

We live in a distracted and distracting world. This is nothing new in the course of time. However, we are more bombarded by the knowledge of things over which we have no control, and the baubles and glitter of too much.

As I said, the reality is nothing new. Pope Gregory the Great (540 – 604) wrote of such. He framed it in a sermon. The outset of the sermon was on the Good Shepherd. He wanted his people to recall the goodness of this shepherd, especially how he would guide people through this life to the eternal banquet, that is, the Heavenly Eucharist.

Here are the words of wisdom that he shared. I have *inserted* some comments to bring this 6<sup>th</sup> century text to the fore.

“Beloved brothers [*and sisters*], let us set out for these pastures where we shall keep joyful festival with so many of our fellow citizens. May the thought of their happiness urge us on! Let us stir up our hearts, rekindle our faith, and long eagerly for what heaven has in store for us. To love thus is to be already on our way.

“No matter what obstacles we encounter, we must not allow them to turn us aside from the joy of that heavenly feast.

“Anyone who is determined to reach his destination is not deterred by the roughness of the road that leads to it [*threats, dangers, obstacles*]. Nor must we allow the charm of success to seduce us, or we shall be like a foolish traveler who is so distracted by the pleasant meadows through which he is passing that he forgets where he is going.”

Good, nourishing food for thought as we continue our journey through the Easter Season.

Father Rick

## Seeking Help: Fall Festival Silent Auction

My name is Teresa McQueen, and I am organizing this year's silent auction for our fall festival. I am looking forward to creating a small team to collect and increase our donations. The donations we seek are for experiences, services, collectibles, and theme baskets. The silent auction raises much needed funds to preserve and grow our church and its ministries. I am seeking helpers to join in reaching out to parishioners, alumni, and businesses. I would love to make this another successful year, like last year, under the leadership of Emily Reuhs.

Please email soon to begin our opportunities! Teresa McQueen at [qhome@sbcglobal.net](mailto:qhome@sbcglobal.net)

## Sacramental Preparation: Sign-up Now

Sunday Religious Education, Confirmation, and First Eucharist classes are wrapping up soon for summer break. – Sign up for our next season of classes and Sacraments now! Early sign-ups help us plan and acquire materials to be ready for our new beginning in August. The links to sign up online are:

**Confirmation:** <https://tinyurl.com/Confirmation24-25>

**Sunday Religious Education:** <https://tinyurl.com/SRE24-25>

**First Holy Eucharist:** <https://tinyurl.com/1stSacraments24-25>

Talk with our Director of Religious Education, Matthew Fallon, for more details and questions ([mfallon@ollindy.org](mailto:mfallon@ollindy.org))

## It's Time to Turn In Your Articles for the *Lourdes Word*

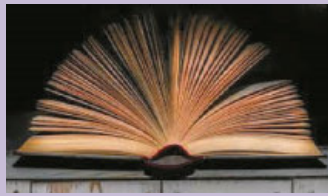
The theme for the upcoming edition of the Lourdes Word is: "Sight." All parishioners are invited to submit articles for publication. Due to space constraint, please limit your writing to no more than 525 words. Please submit your composition by April 30, to Mark Hudson via email: [markchudson@gmail.com](mailto:markchudson@gmail.com)

## Attention 7th Graders and Parents!

This year's eighth-graders being Confirmed began their process last spring; now it is your turn! We will hold an informational meeting for next year's Confirmation program, on **May 8 at 7:30 p.m.**, in Bernadette Hall. Get your information and record-keeping binder now, so you can begin your preparations this summer.

## "Ordinary Women"

Our next meeting will be **Monday, May 6**, in Bernadette Hall at 7 p.m. Please join us! All women of the parish are welcome. For information, call Pat: **317-395-8186**.



### Join us for another Habitat for Humanity volunteer day!

This will be a joint effort between both Nativity and Our Lady of Lourdes. The location is one block east of Nativity. Please register online at the following link:

<http://vhub.at/ladyoflourdes>

On this volunteer day, you will be helping to cut and install the baseboards and the trim around the house. You might also be helping to install the kitchen and bathroom cabinets. The project will be: **Interior Trim** – Which entails power tools and potential heavy lifting. Due to using power tools, you must be at least 18 years old. Please keep in mind that all projects are subject to change. Don't have prior build experience? No Problem! The Habitat team will show us everything we need to know. The date is **May 24** and check-in time is 8:15 a.m. and we will work to around 2:30 p.m. Lunch and water will be provided.

If you have any questions, please reach out to John Lockhart at **317-710-2517** or connect with our Volunteer Team ([volunteer@indyhabitat.org](mailto:volunteer@indyhabitat.org) or **317-914-2124**)

## Celebrate Life!

"At its most basic level, the pro-life message is this: An unborn child is a human person whose life has value and deserves to be protected by our society. But we also have an important message to share about how abortion harms women - and men - and about how committed the pro-life movement is to helping women face untimely pregnancies and choose life for their babies. - Ultimately, our message is a message of hope. We believe that, working together, we can transform our society into a place in which no mother will ever resort to abortion, and where every child, regardless of the circumstances of his or her conception, will be welcomed and loved."

*Sharing the Pro-Life Message*

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Susan Abel, Pam Aiello, Emilia Atkinson, Darryl & Harold Barthé, Paula Bittelmeyer, Rose Boggs, Dick & Kathy Burgess, Denise Byers, Tim Coffey, 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, Jim, Pittman, Bernie Price, Joseph Rogers, Irene Roseman, Rhonda Roseman, Kevin Schwering, Vonda Sigman, Karen & Larry Thomas, Barb Tittle, Jimmy Warrenburg, Arianna Williams

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**Phone:** 317-356-7291

## School Office

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**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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# SCHOOL NEWS

Not everyone who works at Our Lady of Lourdes School is also a member of the parish, but I am among those who are. When I attend Mass on the weekends, I enjoy seeing our students in the pews with their families. Lately, I've noticed an uptick in the number of our students attending Masses on the weekends. This is obviously a positive trend, but for reasons some may not immediately realize.

Some of our youngest students struggle to stay focused and participate during our school Masses. On the weekends, they are receiving the same guidance toward how to participate with responses, prayer, and singing that they hear from teachers during the week. They see other whole families and unfamiliar adults modeling the positive behaviors that their teachers expect.

Older students often take the initiative to participate in various roles during the weekend Masses. Some lead Children's Liturgy, are altar servers, carry up the offertory gifts, usher, and even help train younger students in some of those roles.

Perhaps the best result – other than the individual student's growth in faith – that comes from seeing more school kids at Mass is noticing how happy it makes Father Rick! See you next week!

- Angie Therber

## Socialaires

The Socialaires will be meeting **Thursday, May 9**, in the west parking lot of church @ 11:30 a.m. to go to Yummy Bowl in Beech Grove. It is a game plan change from what was announced last month but circumstances at the track will be complicated. Please contact Diane Beasley 317-527-7946 before Monday, May 6, so I can make reservations at the restaurant.



**“I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower.”**

Jn 15:1

## Mass Intentions

**Saturday, April 27.....5th Sunday of Easter**  
 4:00 pm Reconciliation  
 5:00 pm †Mary Ann Heneghan Bennett Req. by Fred Bennett

**Sunday, April 28.....5th Sunday of Easter**  
 10:00 am Pro Populo

**Tuesday, April 30.....St. Pius V, Pope**  
 6:00 pm †Carl Ritzi Req. by Julie Ritzi

**Wednesday, May 1.....St. Joseph the Worker**  
 8:15 am †Martha Myers Req. by Lou & Marianne Markovich

**Thursday, May 2.....St. Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor**  
 6:00 pm †Peggy Kloene Req. by Bill Bakemeyer

**Friday, May 3.....Ss. Philip & James, Apostles**  
 8:15 am Birthday, John Ginther Req. by Father Rick

**Saturday, May 4.....6th Sunday of Easter**  
 4:00 pm Reconciliation  
 5:00 pm Pro Populo

**Sunday, May 5.....6th Sunday of Easter**  
 10:00 am †Alfred Bathon Req. by Gabrielle Schufeldt

## Ministry Schedule May 4-5

**Saturday, May 4 – 5 p.m. 6th Sunday of Easter**  
 EMHC: Monica Collins (Host), \_\_\_\_\_ (Host), Jan O'Brien (Cup), \_\_\_\_\_ (Cup), \_\_\_\_\_ (Main Host)  
 Hospitality Ministers: \_\_\_\_\_ (GE), Joe Hammond (GN), Dave Skirvin (GW), \_\_\_\_\_ (UN), \_\_\_\_\_ (Y)  
 Lector: Priscilla Campbell (A), Paige Kervan (B)  
 Sacristan: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Servers: Vincent Camper, Linden Johnson  
 Cantor: Jmie Black

**Sunday, May 5 – 10 a.m. 6th Sunday of Easter**  
 EMHC: \_\_\_\_\_ (Host), Mike Guinan (Host), Luke Mervilde (Cup), Lilly Forster (Cup), Fletcher Daly (Cup), Jill Daly (Cup), Kirk Forster (Main Host)  
 Hospitality Ministers: John Lockhart (GE), Megan Wuertz (GN), Jim Lynch (GW), Steve Wuertz (UN), \_\_\_\_\_ (Y)  
 Lector: Vic Berlage (A), Sally Krause (B)  
 Sacristan: Larry Turner  
 Servers: David Mervilde, Peter Mervilde  
 Choir: Folk Choir  
 CLOW: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ (Y)  
 Mass Childcare: Jenny McNulty, Tracy Warner  
 Small Linens Sacristan: Bernice Berlage

## READINGS: WEEK OF APRIL 28 2024

**Sunday:** Acts 9:26-31; Ps 22:26-27,28,30,31-32; 1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8

**Monday:** Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-4,15-16; Jn 14:21-26

**Tuesday:** Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-13ab,21; Jn 14:21-31a

**Wednesday:** Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-5; Jn 15:1-8

**Thursday:** Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96:1-3,10; Jn 15:9-11

**Friday:** 1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-5; Jn 14:6-14

**Saturday:** Acts 16:1-6; Ps 100:1b-2,3,5; Jn 15:18-21

# Calendar of **EVENTS**

<b>Sunday, April 28 - 5th Sunday of Easter</b>		
8:30 am	SRE	School
10:00 am	Mass	Church
<b>Monday, April 29</b>		
No Events Today		
<b>Tuesday, April 30</b>		
3:00 pm	Jiu Jitsu	Gym
5:30 pm	Rosary	Chapel
6:00 pm	Mass	Chapel
7:00 pm	Boy Scout Troop #8	Cafeteria
<b>Wednesday, May 1</b>		
8:15 am	Mass	Chapel
7:00 pm	Welcome Committee	BH-A
<b>Thursday, May 2</b>		
10:00 am	Psalm Study	Rectory Dining Room
3:00 pm	Girl Scouts K-1	BH-A&B
5:30 pm	Rosary	Chapel
6:00 pm	Mass	Chapel
7:00 pm	Engagement Committee	BH-A
7:30 pm	Psalm Study	BH-A or B
<b>Friday, May 3 - Noon Dismissal (Extended Care in Gym)</b>		
8:15 am	Mass (May Crowning)	Church
9:30 am	8th Grade Pictures	Campus
4:00 pm	RCIA Cookout	Remote Location
<b>Saturday, May 4 - 6th Sunday of Easter</b>		
4:00 pm	Reconciliation	Church
5:00 pm	Mass	Church
6:00 pm	Spring Benefit	Gym
<b>Sunday, May 5 - 6th Sunday of Easter</b>		
8:30 am	SRE	School
10:00 am	Mass	Church
11:30 am	Veterans Discussion (Dave Certo)	BH-A&B
4:30 pm	Cub Scout Pack 8	Cafeteria

**1st Holy Eucharist Mass: May 11 at 5 p.m.**  
 Second grade students of the parish will receive the Holy Eucharist, with the rest of the parish, for the 1st time **May 11, at the 5 p.m. Mass**. Many happy relatives and friends will be among the attendees. Everyone is welcome, but folks who prefer their Mass experience to be calmer and less crowded, may decide to plan for another option.

## IN GRATITUDE WE SHARE



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Online Giving .....		<b>5,293.00</b>
Budgeted.....		<b>11,068.00</b>
Difference +/-.....	\$	<b>(1,262.00)</b>
<b>YTD Sunday &amp; Holy Day</b>		
Actual.....	\$	<b>525,270.52</b>
Budgeted.....		<b>503,312.00</b>
Difference +/-.....	\$	<b>21,958.52</b>
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Rice Bowl.....	\$	<b>543.00</b>
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# Stewardship

*“Children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth.”*  
 1 JOHN 3:18

Regarding our Catholic faith, do you “walk the talk?” Do your actions reflect what it means to be a good **Steward**? Are you an active participant at Sunday Mass? Are you joyful when participating in parish ministry? Do you give gratefully and generously with your financial support to your parish and other Church needs? If not, it's not too late to start!



May is the month of the Rosary

## Join Our VBS Team!!

The planning for this year's Vacation Bible School has begun! Will you make our team more complete? We need your talents and gifts to help provide games, faith sharing, crafts, skits, cafeteria help, music, etc. YOU can join this group of parishioners and help lead our young disciples to deeper faith in God! VBS will be here before we know it (mornings of June 10-14), so don't wait long!  
 Contact Matthew to find out more: [mfallon@ollindy.org](mailto:mfallon@ollindy.org)



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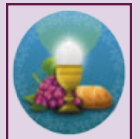
## Prayer Vine

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



## COMMUNION CALLS

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



## Adult Confirmation Scheduled for June 9

Were you fully catechized, but never received Confirmation? Archbishop Charles Thompson extends an invitation to any baptized Catholic adult who wishes to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation to the annual Adult Confirmation taking place on **Sunday, June 9, at 2 p.m.**, at Saints Peter & Paul Cathedral. Talk with Matthew ([mfallon@ollindy.org](mailto:mfallon@ollindy.org)) about getting registered to be in full communion with the universal Church!

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