

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church
5333 East Washington Street - Indianapolis, IN 46219

September 8, 2024



23rd 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, 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**.

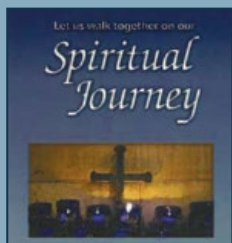
NEW PARISHIONERS

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

Pastor's Corner

Dear brothers and sisters of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish,

Be sure to read insert #2 from "Faithful Citizenship." And pray for the election process and safety of all candidates.

A short story of "two bats?" Last Thursday when I got up and headed to the bathroom, I noticed a shadow coming at me out of the corner of my eye. It was a brown bat, a **large** brown bat, whooshing about the room!

I closed the door. When I emerged, the shadow in flight was now hanging from one of the blinds in my bedroom. I said good morning and went about sating my coffee craving.

When I returned, the bat was nowhere to be seen. Later, I told Anne and Bernie (and the other staff who scream from time-to-time when a creature invades our workspace). Bernie, with net in hand, set about searching. To no avail.

The next morning as I entered the bathroom, Browner (not to be confused with Brownie, may he rest in peace) was climbing about on the screen. It was fascinating to watch as he moved about! And then, he found a gap between screen and window frame, squeezing (so much like a mouse!) to the other side of the screen! When he tired of screen hanging, he transferred to the window.

Aha, now I have you, I thought! Unlatching the window, opening it slowly with its crank, I invited Browner to soar to freedom. He did not move, of course. He just hung there.

Later in the morning, he was gone.

On Sunday morning at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral Rectory parlor, coffee and donuts were being shared during a parish "reflection time" on Virtue. Father James was leading, all were listening, intently focused.

Into the room flew a brown bat! Cavorting about the lengthy salon, the bat dove and soared. Father James attempted to remain focused. There were gasps and muffled cries among those assembled. Fr. James could not continue.

An intrepid member stood up and urged all to calm down. She assured all present that the bat was harmless. It really did not want to interrupt; it was only trying to find a way out!

This intrepid member was Mary Ginther-Oss, who earlier in her professional career studied bats at Washington University in St. Louis. Not all believed her. She sat down.

Deacon Steve and Alvin (a human, not a chipmunk) left the room to open the doors to the main entrance. True to the words of the intrepid "bat ma'am," the bat swooped one last time, exited to the hallway and then to the glory of Sunday's sun!

A tale of two bats? Or one? Could this bat possibly have been the same Browner of rectory fame? Might this flying rodent have been on pilgrimage, traveling from Catholic church to Cathedral church while seeking a spiritual home?

One bat or two? It leaves one wondering.

- *Father Rick*

The Silent Auction Committee is excited to announce that our parish and businesses have been supportive and blessed us with wonderful items! We have an autographed football, a full set of braces, from Dr. Pritchett, and a Secina scholarship! We have overnight trips, wine parties, Connor Prairie, zoo membership, over 45 baskets, and an iPad! Please stay tuned for our QR Code and please participate! This will be a good time to get deals, while helping the church and its ministries. Our goal is to raise \$20,000. Please help us by telling your friends and family to join in the fun on September 26! They can attend by scanning the anticipated QR while at home or even better yet, coming and joining us at the festival! We can show you how to use the QR code and submit your bid.

You can help us with a donation from your workplace or something you would like to donate! Items may be dropped off at the Parish Office or Please call Teresa at **317-654-7051** or email qsalon@sbcglobal.net to make other arrangements for pick up or questions. Examples of items are: • Music, dance, art or cooking classes • Rounds of Golf • Gift Certificates • Hotel accommodations • Themed gift baskets • Gift Cards • Experiences - dinner theater, comedy club, train ride • Jewelry • New Electronics • Swim Lessons • Sports Tickets • toys, items slightly used or new • Memberships • show tickets • Movie Tickets

Thank you from our parish and most of all reserve Sept 26, 27, and 28, to come to the festival to share in fellowship with our parish and community!

Alzheimer's Association: Paint Irvington Purple Day

Please join us on Sunday, September 8, in downtown Irvington and at the Irvington Farmers Market for a day promoting the Alzheimer's Association and Local Businesses. Various businesses will offer discounts, and others will donate a portion of their sales to the Alzheimer's Association. All you need to do is shop and/or dine in Irvington or at the Farmers Market.

Here are examples of discounts Businesses are offering:

Chicago Beef and Dog – 15% off

Josephine's in Irvington – 10% donation to Alzheimer's Association

Black Sheep Gift – 10% donation to Alzheimer's Association

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!!

Irvington



Sunday, September 8

From Noon to 3 p.m.

Monday Night Men's Prayer Group: September 9

The Men's Prayer group will meet at in Bernadette Hall at 7:30 p.m. on **Monday, September 9**. All men are not only invited, but welcome. If you have any questions: contact Bob Eha at **317-345-9884**.

Socialaires

The Socialaires will be meeting at New Bethel Ordinary, 8838 Southeastern Ave., on Thursday, **September 12**, at 11:45 a.m. If you need a ride, please call Diane Beasley: **317-527-7946** and she will arrange one for you. Thank you.



Doughnut Sunday: September 15

The next Doughnut Sunday will be September 15. Our Sponsor this month is the Alzheimer Association. If your group would like to sponsor a Sunday, please call or email Sally Bennett at **317-356-2529** or **sallyb718@aol.com**

30th Annual OLL Joanne Deery Memorial Kickball Classic September 21-22

There are so many ways you can support this long-running tradition, such as playing, being a sponsor, or officiating a game or two! Email **olkickballclassic@gmail.com** for ways you can help, or with any questions you may have.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Pam Aiello, Emilia Atkinson, Darryl & Harold Barthe', Bob Bittelmeyer, Rose Boggs, Dick & Kathy Burgess, Denise Byers, Helen Chalupa, Will Christiansen, Deborah Clayton, Tim Coffey, Catherine C. Coop, 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, Marilyn May, Jeff McBride, Kathy McCoy, Becky Miller, Mike Miller, Glenda Moore, Luke Mulford, Victoria O'Neil, Dale Page, Sandy Pavey, Bernie Price, Joseph Rogers, Irene Roseman, Rhonda Roseman, Kevin Schwing, Vonda Sigman, Karen & Larry Thomas, Barb Tittle, Jim Warrenburg, Arianna Williams, Susan Williams

Parish Office

Hours: Monday - Friday
8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

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School Office

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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

Our school, though mighty, is small. However, it is still a significant undertaking to get our systems in place, especially the larger all-school initiatives that enhance our community or strengthen our programmatic offerings. When teachers met to collaborate and prepare for the 2024/2025 school year, one of the areas of focus was to reinvigorate our system of committee work. I will occasionally highlight one staff committee and the work they are doing.

One such committee is our safety and security committee. Just before school started, our staff participated in training for crisis situations. Officers Roman & Stacy, from the IMPD East District Community Outreach Office, led the session. Our newly formed safety and security committee will meet quarterly to continue revising our school crisis plan and to address everything related to safety at school. Examples of their undertakings will be to review and revise our current crisis plans, make connections with community partners who can help in the event of crisis situations, and plan for signage at places on the property that will communicate expectations for safe use and procedures. They will also monitor and follow up on the upgrading of our facilities and equipment needed to improve the security of our interior spaces. The committee will ensure consistent drills and communication, of all safety-related procedures, as they are revised. It takes many hands and minds to manage the system that provides a safe learning environment. We are grateful to those on staff who are giving more of their time for the good of our community.

Angie Therber
Principal

Hear Gary Varvel at the Right to Life of Indianapolis Celebrate Life Dinner, October 1

Do you want to restore a love of life in Indianapolis? Mark your calendars for the upcoming *Celebrate Life Dinner!* Join Right to Life of Indianapolis on Tuesday, October 1 at the Indianapolis Marriott Downtown for the Annual Celebrate Life Dinner.

Keynote speaker will be Gary Varvel, syndicated editorial cartoonist, screen writer, and Christian speaker. Varvel was The Indianapolis Star cartoonist for 24 years. His work is syndicated through Creators Syndicate. In 2015 he was inducted into the Indiana Journalism Hall of Fame. In addition, Varvel wrote and illustrated *The Good Shepherd* children's book and has co-written and produced several Christian films. Don't miss your chance to hear Gary Varvel on October 1.

Registration is \$85 per person, tables of 10 available for \$850. Register online at www.rtlindy.org or call the Right to Life of Indianapolis office (317) 582-1526 to make your reservation over the phone.

Mark Your Calendars!

Respect Life Mass: October 6, 10 a.m.
Indianapolis Life Chain: October 6, Downtown Indianapolis from 2:30-3:30 p.m. *More details to come.*

Submit Your Articles for *The Lourdes Word*

The theme for the upcoming Fall edition of the Lourdes Word is: "What I like about Our Lady of Lourdes parish." 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 to Mark Hudson via email at markchudson@gmail.com by September 12.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 7.....23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 pm †Larry Browne Req. by Pat Browne

Sunday, September 8.....23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:00 am Pro Populo

Tuesday, September 10.....Weekday
5:30 pm Rosary
6:00 pm †Patience (Peppy) Battisti Req. by Mary Morois

Wednesday, September 11.....Weekday
8:15 am †Mary Hammond Req. by Joe Hammond

Thursday, September 12.....The Most Holy Name of Mary
5:30 pm Rosary
6:00 pm †Greg Stroude Req. by Bill Bakemeyer & OLL Choirs

Friday, September 13...St. John Chrysostom, Bishop & Doctor
8:15 am †Dorothy Hammond Req. by Joe Hammond

Saturday, September 14.....24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 pm †Mary Ann Heneghan Bennett Req. by Fred Bennett

Sunday, September 15.....24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:00 am Pro Populo

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, September 14, 5 p.m. 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

EMHC: _____ (Host), Mary Ann Coffey (Host), Monica Collins (Cup),
Cathy Kervan (Cup), Julie Ritzi (Main Host)

Hospitality
Ministers: _____ (GE), Joe Hammond (GN),
Dave Skirvin (GW), _____ (UN)

Lector: Paige Kervan (A), Mark Pittman (B)

Sacristan: Mary Morois

Servers: Vincent Camper, Linden Johnson

Cantor: Linda Caraher

Sunday, September 15, 10 a.m. 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

EMHC: Matthew Fallon (Host), Sue Wilson (Host),
Luke Mervilde (Cup), Paula Schenkenfelder (Cup),
H. Chris Houppert (Cup), _____ (Cup),
Chris Kolakovich (Main Host)

Hospitality
Ministers: Mike Guinan (Team Leader, UN), John Lockhart (GE),
Gilbert Durham (GN), Bob Davey (GW),
_____ (Y-1)

Lector: Andrea Kurtz (A), Joe Therber (B)

Sacristan: _____

Servers: David Mervilde, Joseph Mervilde

Cantor: Darin Richart

C.L.O.W. Bette Spence, _____

Mass Childcare: Fiona McKiernan, Jenny McNulty

Small Linens
Sacristan: Linda Abner

READINGS: WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

Sunday: Is 35:4-7a; Ps 146:7-10; Jas 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37

Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8; Ps 5:5-6,7,12; Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday: 1 Cor 6:1-11; Ps 149:1-6,9; Lk 64:12-19

Wednesday: 1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45:11-12,14-17; Lk 6:20-26

Thursday: 1 Cor 8:1b-7,11-13; Ps 139:1b-3,13,14b,23-24; Lk 6:27-38

Friday: 1 Cor 9:16-19,22b-27; Ps 84:3-6,12; Lk 6:39-42

Saturday: Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1-2,34-38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

Calendar of **EVENTS**

Sunday, September 8

8:30 am	Religious Ed	School
10:00 am	Mass	Church
7:00 pm	Confirmation Group	BH-A&B

Monday, September 9

6:00 pm	Girl Scouts	BH-A&B
7:30 pm	Folk Choir Rehearsal	Church
7:30 p.m.	Men's Monday Night Prayer	BH-A&B

Tuesday, September 10

3:00 pm	Jiu Jitsu	Gym
5:30 pm	Rosary	
6:00 pm	Mass followed by Holy Hour	Chapel
7:00 pm	Boy Scouts	Cafeteria
7:00 pm	School Commission	BH-C
7:30 p.m.	OCIA	BH-A

Wednesday, September 11

8:15 am	Mass	Chapel
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Thursday, September 12

5:30 pm	Rosary	
6:00 pm	Mass	Chapel

Friday, September 13 - NOON DISMISSAL - EXTENDED CARE AVAIL.

8:15 am	Mass (School)	Church
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Saturday, September 14

4:00 pm	Reconciliation	Church
5:00 pm	Mass	Church

Sunday, September 15

8:30 am	Religious Ed	School
10:00 am	Mass	Church
11:00 am	Coffee & Doughnuts	BH-A&B



Stewardship

“Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom that he promised to those who love him?”

JAMES 2:5

What is more important – being rich in faith or rich in possessions? Society tells us that possessions are most important. God teaches us **Stewardship**. When we are rich in faith, we keep God first and experience true joy and peace. When we put possessions first, we soon realize we can never have enough and happiness is fleeting. When we put faith over possessions we truly realize it is better to give than receive.

ICAN Hygiene Bags



With your help, I was able to finish the 15 bags I was working on. Thank you. I will repeat when I get enough products together. PLEASE NO TOOTHBRUSHES at this time. **Yes** for travel size shampoo, lip balm, tissues, toothpaste, and lotion. If you are able to give 2 or 3 of an item, together we will have what we need for the next batch! Stephenie Paquette **317-359-6655**

Prayer Vine

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



Autumn Scripture Study Coming Soon

We will begin a study of The Book of Job on September 26. We will hold two sessions, mornings at 10 a.m. and evenings at 7:30 p.m. in Bernadette Hall, for 7 weeks. Cost of the study is \$20. Online registration coming soon, or contact Matthew directly:

mfallon@ollindy.org

The book of Job tells the story of a righteous man who is overwhelmed by suffering and complains to God until God comes to speak with him. The stage is set for Job's suffering when God praises his servant Job to Satan, who vehemently asserts that Job is only righteous because God has blessed him in every way. Take away his blessings, the Satan claims, and Job will curse God. In an age where suffering was seen as a sign of punishment for sin, Job's suffering is doubled when all his friends impugn his character as they witness his sorrows. This story speaks eloquently of the mystery of human suffering. - Listen to God's Word in the midst of pain.

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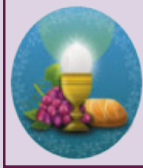
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IN GRATITUDE WE SHARE



September 1, 2024

Due to the Labor Day Holiday, financial information for September 1 will be reported in next week's bulletin.



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The Role of the Church in American Political Life



The Church is the body of Christ, who reigns as king over all Creation. Everything, including political life, belongs to Jesus Christ, and so participation in political life belongs to the mission of the Church. Our mandate is to ‘go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation’ (Mk 16:15). . . . Here, ‘the creation’ refers to every aspect of human life. . . ‘Nothing human can be alien to it.’

Pope Francis, *Evangelii Gaudium*, no. 181, quoting *Aparecida Document*, no. 380

Our national tradition of religious freedom permits and encourages all people of faith to bring the insights of their religious traditions to bear on political matters. As Pope Francis affirmed during his visit to the U.S., “Religious liberty, by its nature, transcends places of worship and the private sphere of individuals and families. . . . Religion itself, the religious dimension, is not a subculture; it is part of the culture of every people and every nation.”¹

“If society is to have a future, it must respect the truth of our human dignity and submit to that truth. . . . A society is noble and decent not least for its support of the pursuit of truth and its adherence to the most

basic of truths” (*Fratelli Tutti*, no. 207). The truths that guide public life can be known by natural reason. The sanctity of human life, the equal dignity of all individuals, the obligation to protect the vulnerable, the nature and purposes of sex, marriage, and family—these are not exclusively “religious” truths, but truths that all people of goodwill can come to know without the aid of revelation. Our Catholic faith sheds light on these truths, and so we have a duty to bring that light to our nation.

★ —————
“The truth is something we receive, not something we make. We can only judge using the conscience we have, but our judgments do not make things true.”

—————★

Many Parts, All One Body

The bishops and their pastoral collaborators each have distinct roles in the Church’s mission. The bishops have the responsibility to govern the society of the Church, hand

on doctrine and tradition, and administer the sacraments. The laity are called to bring the gospel to bear on the world. While many laity are involved in roles of leadership and service within the Church, it remains primarily the role of the laity to advocate for justice, to serve in public office, and to inform daily life with the gospel. “The direct duty to work for a just ordering of society is proper to the lay faithful” (*Deus Caritas Est*, no. 29).

Participation in political life requires judgments about concrete circumstances. While bishops together with their coworkers help form the laity in accordance with basic principles, they do not tell the laity to vote for particular candidates. On these often complex matters, it is the laity’s responsibility to form their consciences and grow in the virtue of prudence to approach the many and varied issues of the day with the mind of Christ.

Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship

Conscience is “a judgment of reason” by which one determines whether an action is right or wrong (see *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 1778). It does not allow us to justify doing whatever we want, nor is it a mere “feeling.” Conscience—properly formed according to God’s revelation and the teaching of the Church—is a means by which one listens to God and discerns how to act in accordance with the truth.² The truth is something we receive, not something we make. We can only judge using the conscience we have, but our judgments do not make things true.

It is our responsibility to learn more of Catholic teaching and tradition, to participate in Church life, to learn from trustworthy sources about the issues facing our communities, and to do our best to make wise judgments about candidates and government actions. These decisions should take into account a candidate’s commitments, character, integrity, and ability to influence a given issue. Thus equipped, and further impelled by our sense of patriotism, we exercise our right and duty to vote and otherwise to participate actively in public life.³ By forming our consciences for faithful citizenship, we can better pursue the common good and thus obey the command of our Lord to love our neighbors.

This bulletin insert along with five others was approved by the body of U.S. bishops in November 2023.

Find this and more complementary resources at www.faithfulcitizenship.org.

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¹ Pope Francis, Meeting for Religious Liberty with Hispanic Community and Other Immigrants, September 26, 2015.

² *Gaudium et Spes (The Church in the Modern World)*, no. 16. See also, *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 1785.

³ *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, nos. 2239-40.

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Saturday, September 28!

Walk to End Alzheimer's

Held annually in more than 600 communities nationwide, the Alzheimer's Association Walk to End Alzheimer's® is the world's largest fundraiser for Alzheimer's care, support, and research.

This inspiring event calls on participants of all ages and abilities to join the fight against the disease.

For more information, to get involved, or register, please scan the QR code:



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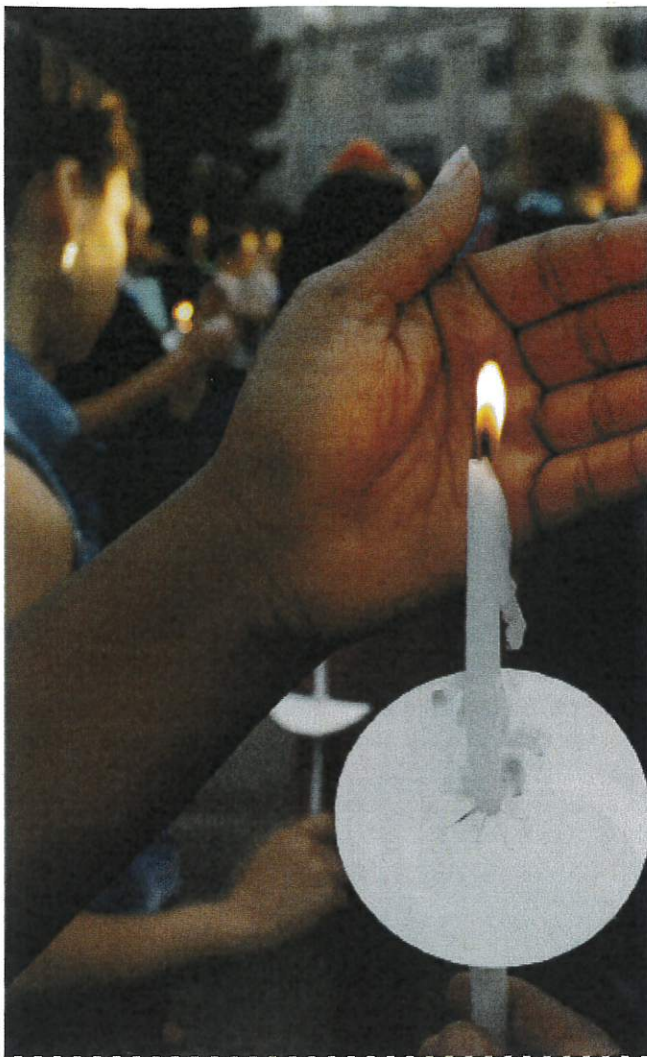


JOIN US!

Join us on Sunday, September 8th, in downtown Irvington and at the Irvington Farmers Market for a day of fundraising to support the Walk to End Alzheimer's - Indianapolis!

Businesses in downtown Irvington will be 'Painting the Town Purple' and some will be donating a portion of sales for the day. 100% of funds raised go directly to support the Walk to End Alzheimer's!

Join the Irvington community in making a difference in the lives of Hoosier families living with Alzheimer's or any other form of dementia by patronizing these local businesses!



PRAYER FOR PEACE IN OUR COMMUNITIES

Let us pray . . .

O Lord our God, in your mercy and kindness,
no thought of ours is left unnoticed, no desire or
concern ignored.

You have proven that blessings abound
when we fall on our knees in prayer,
and so we turn to you in our hour of need.

Surrounded by violence and
cries for justice, we hear your voice telling us what is
required . . .

*"Only to do justice and to love goodness,
and to walk humbly with your God" (Mi 6:8).*

Fill us with your mercy so that we, in turn, may be
merciful to others.

Strip away pride, suspicion, and racism
so that we may seek peace and justice in our
communities.

Strengthen our hearts so that they beat only to the
rhythm of your holy will.

Flood our path with your light as we walk humbly
toward a future
filled with encounter and unity.

Be with us, O Lord, in our efforts, for only by the
prompting of your grace
can we progress toward virtue.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

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Gary Varvel - 8:00 p.m.



KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Gary Varvel

Author, Illustrator, Cartoonist



Gary Varvel is a Christian,
conservative, cartoonist
and speaker in that order.
Varvel was The Indianap-
olis Star cartoonist for 24
years. His work is syndi-
cated through Creators
Syndicate. In 2015 he was
inducted into the Indiana
Journalism Hall of Fame.

Varvel has won both national and state awards
for his work. In addition, Varvel wrote and
illustrated *The Good
Shepherd* children's
book and has co-written
and produced Christian
films.



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