

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

October 27, 2024



30th 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.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

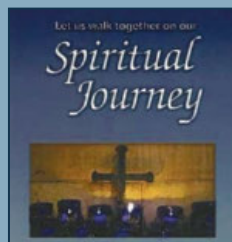
Please send your entries by **NOON** on **MONDAYS** to ensure your article will appear in that week's printing. If you have flyers to be inserted into the bulletin, please bring them to the parish office by 3 p.m. on Thursday.

THANK YOU!

parishsecretary@ollindy.org

PRAY THE ROSARY WITH US

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



Pastor's Corner

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

A couple of weeks ago, I suggested in the homily that we consider the importance of prayer in our lives.

This week in the Office of Readings (a section of the daily Liturgy of the Hours), the second reading comes from St. Augustine's Letter to Proba. She was a rich widow who had asked Bishop Augustine for instruction and advice concerning prayer in her life.

At one point, he points to a "desire for God, a desire for the happy life (both now and in eternity) with God. He admits of the many distractions and duties which can keep one from prayer. But he insists that if the desire for God and life with God is left un nourished, unattended, the desire will fade.

He encourages her to make time for prayer, whether in short moments or in a lengthier period, insisting that this should be a daily practice. Thus the distractions and duties will find their proper place in the life of the Christian. And the desire for God and life with God will not diminish, but grow and thrive.

In our modern times, distractions and duties abound! Our days are so full with them that life can seem suffocating. And rather than turn to our God in prayerful moments to ease the stress and distress, we turn to other "spirits" – alcohol, entertainments, the internet, games on our electronic devices, etc.

I know a man (not a priest or deacon) who sets an alarm on his phone to remind him to stop and pray. To acknowledge his need for God, to nurture his relationship, to bring to God whatever is present in his day that needs divine assistance, focus, soothing, love. I know that he does so at least 3 times a day.

If you have been on the grounds of Our Lady of Lourdes at noon or 6 p.m. each day, the bells of our church ring, not the hour, but the Angelus. There are three sets of three tollings, followed by the full swing of 1 bell. This bell pattern comes to us from medieval times, when the church bells were rung at 6 a.m., noon, and 6 p.m. in this same pattern. It was a call to prayer morning, noon, and end of day.

Folks would stop what they were doing, turn to toward the church (or the east) and pray the Angelus Prayer. It begins "The angel of the Lord declared unto Mary..." The prayer is a reminder of the Incarnation of Christ.

In keeping with the bells pattern, the prayer consists of three quotes of Scripture (Luke, Luke, and John), each followed by a Hail Mary, concluded by a prayer that begins "Pour forth we beseech thee, O Lord, your grace into our hearts..."

I am wondering if we all could punctuate our days with prayer in a like manner. Perhaps, as St. Augustine urges Proba, our desire for God and life with God would grow, giving a new lens through which to see and live our overly distracted, duty bound and busy lives.

Father Rick

Thank You for Supporting World Mission Sunday



On behalf of the missionary men and women serving in over 1,150 mission territories, we extend our heartfelt gratitude for your generous support on World Mission Sunday. Your contributions ensure that the Gospel continues to spread, bringing hope, love and salvation to those in need.

This year's theme, "Go and invite everyone to the banquet," reminds us of our universal call to evangelize and support our brothers and sisters around the world. Your generosity helps build churches, train clergy, and provide essential services in mission territories. Thank you for being part of this vital mission and for making a lasting impact on the global Church.

OCIA Coming Up

Our next meeting of the OCIA group is Tuesday evening at 7:30 p.m. It is a process of preparing people to join our parish, as well as the Catholic Church. Come and greet our seekers at the beginning of the meeting. You are also welcome to sit in during a meeting to refresh or contribute. This week, we will talk about **“The Four Last Things: Death, Judgment, Heaven and Hell.”** Please contact Matthew with any questions: mfallon@ollindy.org

Get Ready for All Saints Day!

If you see Matthew this weekend, he is dressed as soon-to-be-canonized Pier Giorgio Frassati in his mountain climbing garb. This is part of our getting ready for All-Saints Day with the religious ed. students. There may be a few of them in saint costumes as well! Have you heard about Giorgio?

Children’s Liturgy of the Word Catechists Needed

Happily, we have several young parishioners taking part in Children’s Liturgy of the Word. – We need more leaders to proclaim the Mass readings to our 5 to 7 year-olds, discuss with them what they mean for us, and lead them in prayer. Preparation materials will be provided; our goal is that you will lead sessions monthly. Talk to Matthew Fallon: mfallon@ollindy.org for details or to volunteer.

Test Your Knowledge of Our Faith

Our students are tested on their religious knowledge, practices, and attitudes in January. This year there is also an adult version of the test!! Would you like to see how you stack-up to the Archdiocese’s standards? Contact Matthew to get on the list for a copy of the test.

Step Out In Love and Compassion

“The witness of our Blessed Mother [in the Gospel account of her visit to her pregnant cousin, Elizabeth,] invites us to become more aware of the needs of pregnant and parenting moms in our own parishes and communities...Mary’s witness is an invitation to step out in love and compassion. It is a summons to *make haste* to help vulnerable women who may be isolated and alone.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, Respect Life Reflection: Called to Serve Moms in Need
respectlife.org/called-to-serve-reflection

Knights of Columbus

Fatima Event Center Located at 1040 North Post Road

Dinner with the Knights will be on Monday, October 28, at 6:30 p.m., hosting our 3rd Annual Chili Cookoff Contest and more. Those interested in entering the contest are asked to bring their chili by 6 p.m. and have enough for 15-20 servings. No charges for the meal; however, drinks will be an extra charge. Donations for “Coats for Kids” fund raiser will be greatly appreciated. Please join us for a great evening.

Multi-Faith Build

We are thrilled to have our team members participate in the build on **Friday, November 1, at Second Presbyterian Church**. Below is a registration link. Each volunteer must register to provide the necessary information and accept the waiver for the build. Upon successful registration, volunteers will receive a confirmation with important information about the event. They will also receive a reminder email leading up to event day. Please note, that no experience is necessary, and all volunteers must be 16+ to participate. <https://vhub.at/ladyflourdes>



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Pam Aiello, Emilia Atkinson, Darryl & Harold Barthe’, Bob Bittelmeyer, Rose Boggs, Dick & Kathy Burgess, Denise Byers, 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, 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, Phil Reed, Joseph Rogers, Irene Roseman, Rhonda Roseman, Kevin Schwering, Vonda Sigman, Karen & Larry Thomas, Jim Warrenburg, Arianna Williams, Susan Williams

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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

If you live in Irvington, you know that the Irvington Halloween tradition is in full "spirit." Last Sunday, our church hosted the community Spooky Organ Concert. The Festival Ball took place in our gymnasium last Saturday. Thursday is Halloween. It would be nearly impossible to ignore Halloween at Our Lady of Lourdes School, a place whose history parallels that of Irvington.

We have not forgotten at Our Lady of Lourdes School that Halloween and Día de los Muertos are rooted in Catholicism. All Hallow's Eve (Halloween) is the beginning of All Saints Day celebrations on November 1, and we continue to remember loved ones on All Souls Day, November 2. The growing popularity of the Mexican traditional sugar skull (calavera) and La Catrina (finely dressed skeleton woman) in North American Halloween culture are reminders to Catholics 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). Our intermediate grades will create an ofrenda in remembrance that 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.

Students in grades preschool 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.

Angie Therber

READINGS: WEEK OF OCTOBER 27, 2024

Sunday: Jer 31:7-9; Ps 126:1-6; Heb 5:1-6; Mk 10:46-52

Monday: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 6:12-16

Tuesday: Eph 5:21-33; Ps 128:1-5; Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday: Eph 6:1-9; Ps 145:10-14; Lk 13:22-30

Thursday: Eph 6:10-20; Ps 144:1b,2,9-10; Lk 13:31-35

Friday: Rv 7:2-4,9-14; Ps 24:1-4ab,5-6; 1 Jn3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12

Saturday: Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-6; Rom 5:5-11; Jn 6:37-40

We need "two-minute volunteers" to share what prayer is for them! How, when, what do you pray; where do you see the power of prayer in your life and in the world? Describe it to them in two minutes (or so) one Sunday at 9:40 a.m., just in time for us all to get to Mass! Contact Matthew to volunteer or find out more: mfallon@ollindy.org

Pray for Our Confirmation Retreat

November 2 is the day our Confirmation candidates will be going on retreat at St. Mary-of-the-Woods in Terre Haute. You can get us started off well by praying with us on our way that morning. Gather in the West Parking Lot at 7:45 a.m. to join Fr. Rick in praying for our safe and enlightening trip.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 26.....30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 pm †Carol Boyle Req. by Ann Reckley

Sunday, October 27.....30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:00 am Pro Populo

Tuesday, October 29.....Weekday
5:30 pm Rosary
6:00 pm †Greg Stroude Req. by Chris & Bonnie Houppert

Wednesday, October 30.....Weekday
8:15 am †Anna Maria Mauser Req. by Becky & Eric Mauser

Thursday, October 31.....Weekday
5:30 pm Rosary
6:00 pm †Dec. Members of G'Sell Family Req. by Norma Faye

Friday, November 1.....Solemnity of All Saints
8:15 am Pro Populo
6:00 pm †Greg Stroude Req. by Bruce & Michele Oertel

Saturday, November 2.....31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 pm Pro Populo

Sunday, November 3.....31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:00 am †Catherine Ryan Rankin Req. by Maureen Bond

Ministry Schedule

PLEASE SIGN-UP TO ASSIST ON NOV. 1!!

Friday, November 1, 6 p.m. Solemnity of All Saints
EMHC: _____ (Host), _____ (Host), _____ (Cup),
_____ (Cup), _____ (Main Host)

Hospitality
Ministers: _____ (GE), _____ (GN), _____ (GW),
_____ (UN), Cale Thompson (Y)

Lector: Paige Kervan (A), Nick Petrone (B)

Sacristan: _____ Servers: _____, _____

Cantor: Sylvia Zimmerman

Saturday, November 2, 5 p.m. 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
EMHC: Sally Krause (Host), Monica Collins (Host), _____ (Cup),
_____ (Cup), Cathy Kervan (Main Host)

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

Lector: Darryl Barthe (A), Francis Ziegler (B)

Sacristan: Paige Kervan

Servers: Mikie Biggs, David Jackson

Cantor: Michele Kite

Sunday, November 3, 10 a.m. 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
EMHC: Fletcher Daly (Host), Jill Daly (Host),
Mark Pittman (Cup), Matthew Fallon (Cup),
Andrea Kurtz (Cup), Chris Kolakovich (Cup),
Sue Wilson (Main Host)

Hospitality
Ministers: Tim McDonnell (Team Leader,UN), John Lockhart (GE),
Mike Guinan (GN), Gilbert Durham (GW), _____ (Y)

Lector: Joe Therber (A), Sylvia Zimmerman (B)

Sacristan: Tammy Buennagel

Servers: Blayne Gilbreath, Felix Radomsky

Choir: Folk Choir

C.L.O.W. Thomas McKiernan, Max Manley

Mass Childcare: Fiona McKiernan, Jenny McNulty

Small Linens
Sacristan: Bernice Berlage



Calendar of **EVENTS**

Sunday, October 27 - Little Sisters of the Poor Visit		
8:30 am	Religious Ed	School
10:00 am	Mass	Church
4:30 pm	Cub Scout Pack Meeting	Cafeteria
6:00 pm	Eagle Scout Ceremony	Church
Monday, October 28		
7:00 pm	Folk Choir Practice	Church
Tuesday, October 29		
3:00 pm	Jiu Jitsu	Gym
5:30 pm	Rosary	
6:00 pm	Mass	Chapel
7:00 pm	Boy Scouts	Cafeteria
7:30 p.m.	OCIA	BH-A
Wednesday, October 30		
8:15 am	Mass	Chapel
Thursday, October 31		
5:30 pm	Rosary	
6:00 pm	Mass	Chapel
Friday, November 1 - All Saints Day - Full School Uniform Required		
8:15 am	Mass	Church
	Noon School Dismissal - Extended Care Provided	
6:00 pm	Mass	Church
Saturday, November 2 - All Souls Day - Confirmation Retreat		
4:00 pm	Reconciliation	Church
5:00 pm	Mass	Church
Sunday, November 3		
8:30 am	Religious Ed	School
10:00 am	Mass	Church



*“And Jesus said to him,
‘Go your way; your faith has made you well.’
And immediately he received his sight
and followed him on the way.”*

(MARK 10:52)

Faith is believing in something even though you may not be able to physically see it. Many people think that miracles don't happen anymore. This is hard, but try to focus on the positive and not the negative things in your life. When you focus on your blessings instead of your hardships, miracles will seem common. You will see God's active presence in your daily life. You will begin to develop a **Stewardship** attitude of gratitude.

Great News!

Our long-awaited pictorial directories are scheduled to arrive at the parish by November 8. Please stay tuned for additional information.

Additional Catechists Needed

Everyone has special events which pull us away from time to time. – So do our religious education catechists! We are in need of additional parishioners to join our numbers or to become substitutes when someone will be away. Otherwise, we will likely be forced to cancel classes. Can you pitch in once-in-a-while? Contact Matthew if you want to talk more about it: mfallon@ollindy.org



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



Cold-Weather Needs at ICAN Clothing Closet

Our neighbors in need, especially those living outside or without power, greatly appreciate the warm winter clothing they're able to receive from ICAN. Sleeping bags are also needed. Without your generous donations, we'd be unable to help our community the way that we do - so THANK YOU! Donations are accepted at OLL Parish Office.

IN GRATITUDE WE SHARE



October 20, 2024

Actual.....	\$	4,720.00
Online Giving		6,647.00
Budgeted.....		<u>12,520.00</u>
Difference +/-.....	\$	(1,153.00)

YTD Sunday & Holy Day

Actual.....	\$	190,833.05
Budgeted.....		<u>200,320.00</u>
Difference +/-.....	\$	(9,486.95)

SVdP.....	\$	215.00
World Mission Sunday.....	\$	463.00
Hurricane Relief.....	\$	2,076.00
Endowment.....	\$	123.00



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The Little Sisters of the Poor at Saint Augustine Home are visiting our parish community the weekend of October 26/27 to ask our support for their mission of caring for the neediest elderly. Since 1873, the Little Sisters of the Poor have cared for over 6,500 needy Elderly in Indianapolis and central Indiana. For close to 95 years, their Home was on East Vermont Street in the Lockerbie Square Historic District of the City and since 1968 at their present location on West 86th Street and Township Line Road (next to Ascension St Vincent Hospital).

Just as Saint Jeanne Jugan, the Congregation's Foundress was recognized by her begging basket, today's begging Little Sisters bring their baskets on weekend to parishes asking for support. At other times, they visit businesses, markets, organizations and individuals asking for anything and everything that will help their Residents eat well, feel safe, contented and cared for with respect and dignity. During their visit they also will invite us to pray for Vocations to their religious Congregation which operates 160 Homes in 31 countries.

Visit the Little Sisters website at: <http://www.littlesistersofthepoorindianapolis.org>



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 30 through Sunday, December 15

You are invited to bring the following items to church by **Sunday, December 15** 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 those in need in our community.

CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE

Through Saturday, December 21

You are invited to buy a Christmas gift for a needy child in the neighborhood. We are using SignUpGenius to coordinate this effort. See the parish bulletin, Friday e-newsletter, or the Giving Trees at the back of church for sign-up information.

All gifts are due by the 5pm Mass on **Saturday, Dec. 21**. 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 22

Gifts and food baskets will be delivered after 10am Mass on **Sunday, Dec. 22** from **11am – 1pm**. To help deliver, meet at the basement (rear) door of the rectory.

Thank you for any assistance, including prayers for this mission, you can offer!