

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

December 1, 2024



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

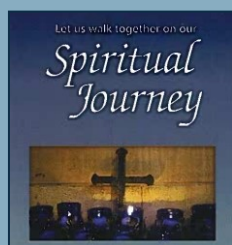
Please send your entries by **NOON** on **MONDAYS** to ensure your article will appear in that week's printing. If you have flyers to be inserted into the bulletin, please bring them to the parish office by 3 p.m. on Thursday.

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

Dear brothers and sisters of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish,

As you may have heard through the parish grapevine or my telling you at church last weekend, I dislocated my left shoulder November 15, in a fall in my bathroom.

The latest update: After consulting with an orthopedist, an MRI is scheduled for December 2. Follow-up with the doctor will be December 12. Trying to determine if the rotator cuff was torn or damaged. If not, PT will follow. If torn, some form of surgery.

Typing is with one hand. SLOW. And the time between injury and follow-up for final diagnosis and prognosis conjures an old military saying: **Hurry up and wait!**

Singing in the rain, living in a sling!

It goes without saying, prayers for patience and healing are greatly appreciated.

Father Rick



Wondering if Adoption or Fostering is in your future? Make a discernment retreat.

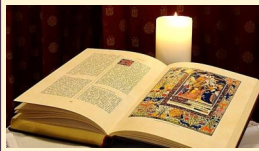
Have you wondered if God might be calling you to open your heart to foster or adopt a child? Register for a virtual "retreat" and receive a code for free access to the Springs of Love "Be Not Afraid" discernment video series. In this self-paced series, you will hear beautiful testimonials from couples who have answered the call to foster and adopt. Talks address fostering and adopting after infertility, adopting a child with special needs, international & domestic adoption, adoption from foster care, grieving when foster children leave, adopting older children, what to do when only one spouse feels called, and more. Link to the retreat is below.

<https://springsoflove.org/be-not-afraid-retreat-registration/>
or <https://marriageandfamily.archindy.org/adoption-and-fostering>



Next Scripture Study Begins in January!

We recently completed our parish Scripture Study of the Book of Job. Start planning to take part in our winter/spring Scripture Study, which will begin in January: Women in the Bible (Old and New Testament, in three sections). The study will wrap up prior to Holy Week. Watch for an online sign-up link, coming soon!



“Ordinary Women” Will Meet December 2

The Ordinary Women book group will meet in Bernadette Hall at 7 p.m. on Monday, December 2. Please join us! All women of the parish are welcome. Please call Pat: **317-395-8186** for more info.

Advent Morning of Reflection: Saturday, December 7

The Spiritual Journey Committee is happy to share information about the upcoming annual Advent Morning of Reflection. This gathering is scheduled for Saturday, December 7, and will be held in Bernadette Hall beginning at 9 a.m. Doors will open at 8:45 a.m. and light breakfast refreshments will be available. The morning program will be led by Sr. Sheila Marie Fitzpatrick, OSB, from Our Lady of Grace Monastery. Her presentation is titled:

How I Learned to Love Advent: Practices for Living the Season.

Monday Night Men's Prayer Group: December 9

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

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.

Please contact Matthew with any questions: mfallon@ollindy.org



Birthline

Support Birthline

Thank you for your generous support of Birthline. Baby items may be placed in the bassinette located on the west side of the main vestibule. The bassinette is checked weekly. If you would like to crochet or knit baby items for Birthline, yarn is available. Please call the parish office for info. **Thank you!**

Help Needed for This Important Outreach!



In order to continue to offer **Christmas Day Dinner** to our neighbors, we need your help. Anyone interested in taking over and running the Christmas Day Dinner please contact Bob Davey:

317-697-8906.

Prayer Vine

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



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

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 Schwing, Vonda Sigman, Karen & Larry Thomas, Jim Warrenburg, Arianna Williams, Susan Williams, Scott Woolen

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

Continuing our reading theme, we have been fortunate to host a few reading-related, fun activities this week.

Thanks to Dagmara and Albert Radomski, our Scholastic Book Fair hosted many shoppers looking for new reading material. On Tuesday, thanks to the efforts of Mrs. Bernauer, we hosted author Jonathan Miller. He has written the *Sammy the Wonderdog series of books for elementary-aged children. Sammy scours the internet as a fact-checker. Mr. Miller shared with the students how he takes an idea from its beginning, through the creative process, until it is crafted into a published work. On Wednesday, students had an out-of-uniform day when they could come to school dressed as their favorite book character.*

News media and lawmakers might fuel the perception that there is currently a renewed focus in schools on literacy education. However, the reality is that the teaching of reading has always been valued as foundational to a person's education and life development. After all, some of the most widely known facts about Hoosier son, President Abraham Lincoln, are that he taught himself to read using the Bible; he educated himself using any books he could find; and without much formal education, because of his reading, became one of the most revered thinkers and writers in American History. At Our Lady of Lourdes School, our students have always been taught – and will continue to be – to make the most of their reading instruction and practice.

Angie Therber



COMMUNION CALLS

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



The Sign-Up Genius Link for the Giving Tree is:

Giving Tree

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D44ACAE2FA4FCC07-52300830-svdp>

Please also watch for the link and QR code in the Friday Newsletter!



READINGS: WEEK OF DECEMBER 1, 2024

Sunday: Jer 33 7:14-16; Ps 25:4-5,8-10,14; 1 Thes 3:12-4:2; Lk 21:25-28,34-36

Monday: Is 24:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2,7-8,12-13,17; Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday: Is 25:6-10; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 15:29-37

Thursday: Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1,8-9,19-21,25-27a; Mt 7:21,24-27

Friday: Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1,4,13-14; Mt 9:27-31

Saturday: Is 30:19-21,23-26; Ps 147:1-6; Mt 9:35-10:1

Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 30.....1st Sunday of Advent
5:00 pm †Chuck Eck Req. by Ed & Paula Roessler

Sunday, December 1.....1st Sunday of Advent
10:00 am Pro Populo

Tuesday, December 3.....St. Frances Xavier, Priest
5:30 pm Rosary
6:00 pm †Charlie & Muffy Wagner Req. by Mary Morois

Wednesday, December 4...St. John Damascene, Priest & Doctor
8:15 am †Paula Bittelmeyer Req. by Bob Bittelmeyer

Thursday, December 5.....Advent Weekday
6:00 pm †John Rae Req. by Bill Bakemeyer

Friday, December 6.....St. Nicholas, Bishop
8:15 am Int. of the Maxwell Family Req. by Norma Faye

Saturday, December 7.....2nd Sunday of Advent
5:00 pm †Mary Ann Heneghan Bennett Req. by Fred Bennett

Sunday, December 8.....2nd Sunday of Advent
10:00 am Pro Populo

Monday, December 9.....Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
8:15 am †Mark C. Habina Req. by Catherine Russell
6:00 pm Pro Populo

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, December 7, 5 p.m. 2nd Sunday of Advent

EMHC: Cathy Kervan (Host), Sally Budreau(Host), _____ (Cup), _____ (Cup), Julie Ritzi (Main Host)

Hospitality Ministers: Don Flick (Team Leader, UN), Kay Campbell (GE), Lisa Flick (GN), Steve Wuertz (GW), _____ (Y)

Lector: Mark Pittman (A), Darryl Barthe (B)

Sacristan: Mary Morois

Servers: Mikie Biggs, Vincent Camper

Cantor: Linda Caraher Choir: Adult Choir

Sunday, December 8, 10 a.m. 2nd Sunday of Advent

EMHC _____ (Host), _____ (Host), Fletcher Daly (Cup), Jill Daly (Cup), Andrew Warner (Cup), Amy Duke (Cup), Sue Wilson (Main Host)

Hospitality Ministers: Mike Guinan (Team Leader, UN), Tammy Buennagel (GE), Vic Berlage (GN), Bob Davey (GW), Cole Bakemeyer (Y)

Lector: Andrea Kurtz (A), Sally Welch (B)

Sacristan: Bernice Berlage

Servers: Amelia Horner, Gerard Horner

Cantor: Darin Richart C.L.O.W. Tom McKiernan, Max Manley

Small Linens
Sacristan: Tammy Buennagel



Monday, December 9, 6 p.m. Immaculate Conception

EMHC: _____ (Host), _____ (Host), _____ (Cup), _____ (Cup), _____ (Main Host)

Hospitality Ministers: _____ (GE), _____ (GN), _____ (GW), _____ (UN)

Lector: Sally Budreau (A), Paige Kervan (B)

Sacristan: Mary Morois

Servers: _____, _____

Cantor: _____

PLEASE VOLUNTEER FOR DECEMBER 9!

Calendar of **EVENTS**

Sunday, December 1

10:00 am Mass Church

Monday, December 2

5:00 pm Girl Scouts BH-A
7:00 pm Ordinary Women BH-A
7:30 pm Parental Prep Meeting BH-B

Tuesday, December 3

3:00 pm Jiu Jitsu Gym
5:30 pm Rosary Chapel
6:00 pm Mass Chapel
7:00 pm Boy Scouts Cafeteria
7:00 pm Liturgy Committee BH-C
7:30 pm OCIA BH-A or B

Wednesday, December 4

8:15 am Mass Chapel
7:00 pm Advent Penance Service AT Little Flower
7:00 pm Welcome Committee BH-A

Thursday, December 5

10:00 am In Stitches BH-A&B
5:30 pm Rosary Chapel
6:00 pm Mass Chapel
7:00 pm Engagement Committee BH-A

Friday, December 6

8:15 am Mass Church

Saturday, December 7

8:30 am Advent Morning of Reflection BH-A&B
11:00 am Santa Brunch Gym
4:00 pm Reconciliation Church
5:00 pm Mass Church

Sunday, December 8

8:00 am Sunday Religious Ed School
10:00 am Mass Church
11:30 am Parish Council BH-C
4:30 pm Pack 8 Meeting Cafeteria
7:00 pm Confirmation Group Meeting BH-A&B

Monday, December 9 - IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

8:00 am Santa Shop BH-A&B
8:15 am Mass (School) Church
TBA Arrival of Peace Light Church
6:00 pm Mass Church
7:30 pm Men's Monday Night Prayer BH-A

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STEWARDSHIP

*“Jesus answered,
‘My kingdom does not belong to this world.’”*
(JOHN 18:36)

Life is short. How much time, energy and money do you put into building “your” kingdom here on earth? We all know we can’t take it with us. The real kingdom is in the next life. Yet, how much time, energy and money do you invest in working for that eternal kingdom? Ask God for His guidance. Detach from earthly possessions. Generously share, through Stewardship, your material goods with others for the greater glory of God.

Congratulations to John & Annie!

Our Communications Coordinator, John Kassell and his bride, Annie, recently met our Holy Father, Pope Francis, while on their honeymoon trip to Italy.



IN GRATITUDE WE SHARE



November 17, 2024

Actual.....	\$	3,673.35
Online Giving		5,161.00
Budgeted.....		<u>12,520.00</u>
Difference +/-.....	\$	(3,685.65)

YTD Sunday & Holy Day

Actual.....	\$	236,372.40
Budgeted.....		<u>250,400.00</u>
Difference +/-.....	\$	(14,027.60)

SVdP.....	\$	129.00
Cmpn. Human Development...	\$	252.00
Endowment.....	\$	19.00
All Saints Day.....	\$	2.00
All Souls Day.....	\$	2.00
SVdP Giving Tree.....	\$	100.00
Thanksgiving Dinner.....	\$	256.00
World Mission Sunday.....	\$	5.00
Spring Benefit.....	\$	25.00

**Due to Early Bulletin Deadlines,
Financial Info for November 24 will
appear in the December 8 Bulletin.**

1st Holy Eucharist Parent Meeting January 15

Congratulations to all the young disciples who recently celebrated the sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time! Parents, we will begin our preparations to receive the Holy Eucharist with a parent information meeting on January 15, at 7:30 p.m. in Bernadette Hall-A.

Confirmation Scheduled for April 24

Our Confirmation Candidates (8th graders) are scheduled to receive the Gift of the Holy Spirit in Confirmation on April 24, 2025. We will need volunteers to help present this special liturgy at the Cathedral! If you can help as a Minister of Hospitality, or as a Eucharistic Minister, or know a young person who could be an Altar Server, contact Matthew Fallon mfallon@ollindy.org for details and how to sign up!



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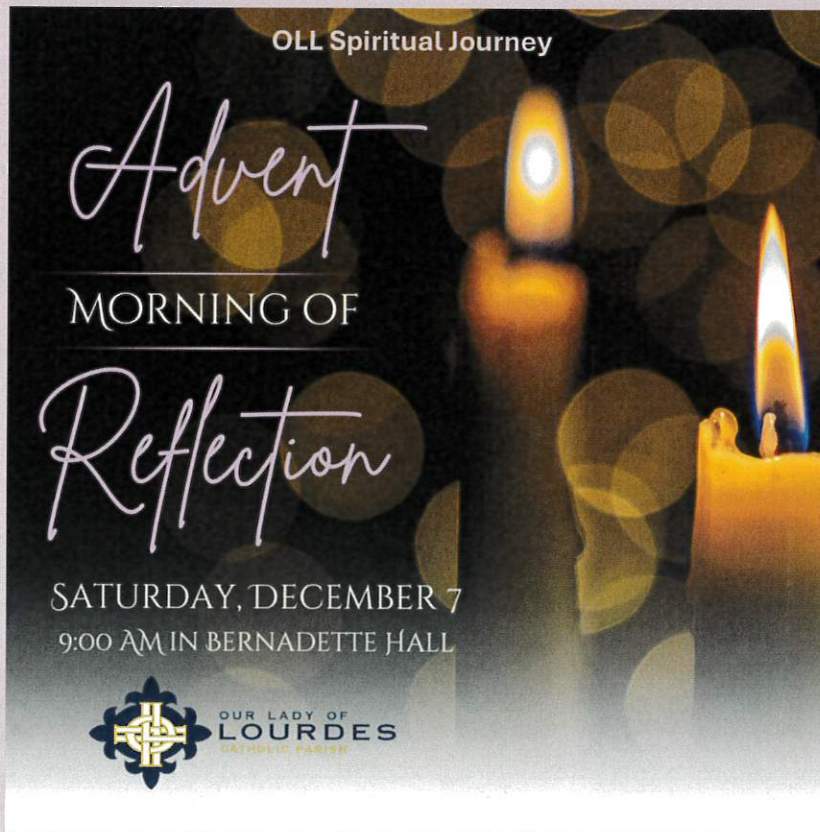
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**Please join with fellow
parishioners and friends for our annual
Advent Morning of Reflection on December 7, at 9 a.m. in
Bernadette Hall.**

Sr. Sheila Marie Fitzpatrick, OSB,

**from Our Lady of Grace Monastery will share with us,
*How I Learned to Love Advent:
Practices for Living the Season.***

**If you would like to attend the presentation in Bernadette Hall,
please RSVP by Thursday, December 5,
via the sign-up below,
or by calling the OLL Parish Office at 317-356-2021.**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0A4EA9AA2DA57-53064976-advent>

[Advent Morning of Reflection - Saturday, December 7](#)



Memorial Poinsettia

Order Form 2024

Remember a loved on with a poinsettia at Christmas. These poinsettia plants will be used to decorate the Church for Christmas. If you wish to take the plants home, you may pick them up after January 5. A memorial publication will be included in the bulletin the weekend before Christmas Day.

Donor Name _____ (as you wish it to appear on the flyer)

Phone# _____

A donation of \$15 is requested for each plant.

The poinsettias will be either Red or White. #Red _____, #White _____

In memory of:

_____ I want my donation of _____ to help defray the cost of decorating the church for Christmas.

Please watch the Weekly Newsletter for your opportunity to sign-up online.