

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

February 23, 2025



7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Give, and gifts will be given to you.”  
- Lk 6:38

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*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

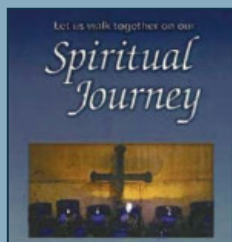
Please send your entries by **NOON** on **MONDAYS** to ensure your article will appear in that week's printing. If you have flyers to be inserted into the bulletin, please bring them to the parish office by 3 p.m. on Thursday.

**THANK YOU!**

[parishsecretary@ollindy.org](mailto: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,

Yesterday, February 22, the Church celebrated the Feast of the Chair of St. Peter. What?!? We celebrate a chair?

Well, the Chair of St. Peter ("cathedra" – throne, or chair, in Latin) was purported to be the very chair that St. Peter used as the first bishop of Rome. Examination of the chair has made it scientifically clear that the oldest parts of the chair are from the 6<sup>th</sup> Century.

This is not to debunk the significance of the symbolism of the chair – the teaching authority associated with the role of the Bishop of Rome, that is, the Pope. This chair reminds Catholics of the durable truths passed down century by century in the teachings of the Church, especially dogma and doctrine. The Scriptures and their proper interpretation are also a part of the sweep of teaching authority. In addition, the Catechism of the Catholic Church, the Code of Canon Law (both Roman and the Eastern Churches in communion with Rome), and the Liturgical Law contained in the many liturgical books used to celebrate the Mass, Sacraments, consecrations, blessings, etc. are all underpinned by this teaching authority.



*The Chair of St. Peter in 2024 at St. Peter's Basilica, exposed for the first time since 1867, before a column of Bernini's colonnade. (photo from the Wikipedia article)*

Symbols are very important in life. The Chair of Peter is one such important reminder of the Church's role in the salvation of souls.

As we consider this, let us – Pilgrims of Hope in this Holy Year – pray for Pope Francis' improved health.

*Father Rick*

## Knights of Columbus

Fatima Event Center Located at 1040 North Post Road

Fatima Council's Dinner with the Knights will be on **Monday, February 24**, at 6:30 p.m. featuring Swedish Meatballs and Noodles, with rolls, corn and a dessert. The cost is \$10 for adults, \$5 for children 5 -12, and children under 4 are free. Please join us for a great evening.

Knights of Columbus Fatima Council No. 3228 will be serving an All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast on **Sunday, March 2**, from 9 a.m. to Noon. The cost is \$10 for adults, \$5 for children under 12, and children under 5 are free.

## VBS Update!

Vacation Bible School will be changing this summer. Since we will be sharing a pastor with Little Flower, we will be combining our VBS program with them, instead of Holy Spirit parish. The program will be held in the evenings (dates to be determined). If you are interested in helping provide fun and learning to young Catholics, talk to Matthew. For more info and to sign up contact him at [mfallon@ollindy.org](mailto:mfallon@ollindy.org)

## Our Next OCIA Meeting

Our OCIA meetings (Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in Bernadette Hall) have begun discussing Christian morality. This week we will be discussing the first three Commandments of the Decalogue. Everyone is welcome to sit in with the group - to welcome them to our parish and Church, or to get a little refresher!

## Registration now open for the 6<sup>th</sup> annual St. Vincent de Paul 5K Run/Walk

April 26, 2025, 9 a.m. at White River State Park!

The Love Your Neighbor 5K raises funds for SVdP Indy's multiple programs for the unsheltered - including the organization's new supportive housing unit: *the Love Your Neighbor Center*. Visit:

[www.svdindy.org/neighbor](http://www.svdindy.org/neighbor) to register, or for additional information.

Questions? Darlene Sweeney [dsweeney@svdindy.org](mailto:dsweeney@svdindy.org)



## 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.

## Parish Staff: [Contact Us](#)

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## February Is Birthline Baby Shower Month

Items needed include: Baby Wash, Diaper Cream, Bottles, Sippy Cups, Pacifiers, Books / Toys, Socks, Wash Cloths, Burp Cloths, Towels, Baby Wipes. Thank you for your continued support of Birthline. Dollar Store items are welcome! The bassinette is located at the west side of the main vestibule.

## LENTEN MORNING OF REFLECTION - MARCH 1

Please join with fellow parishioners and friends for our annual *Lenten Morning of Reflection* on **Saturday morning, March 1, at 9 a.m. in Bernadette Hall.**

Sr. Cathy Anne Lepore, OSB, from Our Lady of Grace Monastery will share with us, **Lent: Do I have to do it again this year?** Sr. Cathy Anne will discuss and encourage reflection about finding "Freedom in the Desert," and look at how we approach our Lenten practices of Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving.

Refreshments will be provided. **If you would like to attend the presentation in Bernadette Hall, please RSVP by Thursday, February 27, via the sign up or by calling the OLL parish office, 317-356-7291.**

<https://tinyurl.com/leentrelection2025>

## ASH WEDNESDAY SOUP SUPPER - MARCH 5

A St. Bernadette parish tradition will continue as Our Lady of Lourdes begins its Lenten Observance with a simple soup and bread meal following 6 p.m. Mass on Ash Wednesday, March 5. The meal will be held in Bernadette Hall immediately following Mass. Bring a crock-pot of your favorite meatless soup to share! You may drop off your soup before Mass. No time to make soup? Choose to bring a package of crackers or a fresh loaf of bread - French baguette, sourdough, Italian, etc.

For additional information, please contact:

Tammy Buennagel/[j.buennagel@sbcglobal.net](mailto:j.buennagel@sbcglobal.net)/317-373-3454

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Sign up at - <https://tinyurl.com/lentensoupsupper>



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## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Emilia Atkinson, Darryl & Harold Barthe', Bob Bittelmeyer, Dick & Kathy Burgess, 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 Loomis, John Maag & Ellen, Jerry MacKenzie, Marilyn May, Jeff McBride, Becky Miller, Mike Miller, Glenda Moore, Luke Mulford, Victoria O'Neil, Dale Page, Sandy Pavey, Phil Reed, Joseph Rogers, Irene Roseman, Rhonda Roseman, Kevin Schwing, Vonda Sigman, Karen & Larry Thomas, Jim Warrenburg, Arianna Williams, Susan Williams, Scott Woolen



# SCHOOL NEWS



As you are probably aware, our school is considered a small one, and therefore, our staff is correspondingly small. All of us work together to keep all the important parts of a school working well to serve students and families. As in most schools, one very important support staff position is that of administrative assistant, more commonly known as school secretary.

Mrs. Molly Funk fills that role with many talents that are officially assigned to school secretary and many more that are very helpful to the overall administration of our school. As a nearly twenty-year employee, Mrs. Funk has a background knowledge that is often helpful in thinking through situations that unexpectedly arise. For example, as a first year principal with several large initiatives that all fell at once, I was juggling the day-to-day, the school startup with many new staff members, no assistant principal, and our five year school accreditation visit on the horizon. Mrs. Funk was quick and efficient, coming to the rescue with lists of people and services she called on to help us organize for visiting evaluators of our school. She also helped me organize the communication of lessons and substitute teachers to keep meaningful learning going through staffing challenges.

Molly also has excellent organization, scheduling, safety monitoring, first aid, kid calming, kid reminding, and communication skills. She is instrumental in helping to manage registration and enrollment and in supporting our growing marketing and advancement work. And all of this is punctuated by a ready sense of humor when needed most. We appreciate all of this and more, so thank you, Mrs. Molly Funk.

Angie Therber

## Additional Catechists Needed!

Let's share the load! We are lucky to have very fine catechists helping with our religious education classes! But sometimes people are ill or have other responsibilities which keep them from being present on a given Sunday. We need more people to join us in sharing and passing on the Catholic faith to our youngest disciples, so there is always a catechist ready and we don't need to cancel classes. Some catechists will be shifting their activities elsewhere next year, so we need to replace them – it would be great to get your feet wet this year. Our schedule will be changing next year with our new pastor (both as yet undetermined) so it may be easier to have the time to participate on our current routine. Preparation and training materials are available. Talk with Matthew to find out more at [mfallon@ollindy.org](mailto:mfallon@ollindy.org)

## READINGS: WEEK OF FEBRUARY 23, 2025

**Sunday:** 1 Sm 26:2,7-9,12-13,22-23; Ps 103:1-4,8,10,12-13;  
1 Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38

**Monday:** Sir 1:1-10; Ps 93:1-2,5; Mk 9:14-29

**Tuesday:** Sir 2:1-11; Ps 37:3-4,18-19,27-28,39-40; Mk 9:30-37

**Wednesday:** Sir 4:11-19; Ps 119:165,168,171-172-174-175; Mk 9:38-40

**Thursday:** Sir 5:1-8; Ps 1:1-4,6; Mk 9:41-50

**Friday:** Sir 6:5-17; Ps 119:12,16,18,27,34-35; Mk 10:1-12

**Saturday:** Sir 17:1-15; Ps 103:13-18; Mk 10:13-16

## Mass Intentions

**Saturday, February 22.....7th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
5:00 pm Pro Populo

**Sunday, February 23.....7th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
10:00 am †Patricia Lockhart Req. by Kathryn Bienemann

**Tuesday, February 25.....Weekday**  
5:30 pm Rosary  
6:00 pm †Mary Ann Heneghan Bennett Req. by Fred Bennett

**Wednesday, February 26.....Weekday**  
8:15 am †Paula Bittelmeyer Req. by Bob Bittelmeyer

**Thursday, February 27.....St. Gregory of Narek, Abbot & Doctor**  
5:30 pm Rosary  
6:00 pm †Kate Cabel Req. by Bill Bakemeyer

**Friday, February 28.....Weekday**  
8:15 am †Patricia Lockhart Req. by Kitty Bienemann

**Saturday, March 1.....8th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
5:00 pm †Larry Browne Req. by Pat Browne

**Sunday, March 2.....8th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
10:00 am Pro Populo

## Ministry Schedule

**Saturday, March 1, 5 p.m. 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

EMHC: Monica Collins (Host), \_\_\_\_\_ (Host), Jan O'Brien (Cup), Amy Petrone (Cup), Sally Krause (Main Host)

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

Lector: Nick Petrone (A), Sally Budreau (B)

Sacristan: Larry Turner Servers: Mikie Biggs, Ellie Richart

Cantor: Darin Richart

**Sunday, March 2, 10 a.m. 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

EMHC Andrea Kurtz (Host), Luke Mervilde (Host), \_\_\_\_\_ (Cup), Paula Schenkenfelder (Cup), Theresa Brickens (Cup), Amy Duke (Cup), Sue Wilson (Main Host)

Hospitality Ministers: Mike Guinan (HM Team Leader-UN), Steve Wuertz (GE), Megan Wuertz (GN), Bob Davey (GW), Cale Thompson (Y)

Lector: Mark Caraher (A), Vic Berlage (B)

Sacristan: Glenn Kurtz Servers: Gabriel Certo, Blayne Gilbreath

Choir: Folk Choir

C.L.O.W. Patrick McNulty, \_\_\_\_\_ Live Streamer: Larry Turner

Childcare: Jenny McNulty, Jillian Okray

Small Linens  
Sacristan: Bernice Berlage

**Wednesday, March 5, 6 p.m. Ash Wednesday**

EMHC: \_\_\_\_\_ (Host), \_\_\_\_\_ (Host), \_\_\_\_\_ (Host), \_\_\_\_\_ (Host), \_\_\_\_\_ (Cup), \_\_\_\_\_ (Cup), Sally Budreau (Main Host)

Hospitality Ministers: \_\_\_\_\_ (GE), Gilbert Durham (GN), Bob Davey (GW), \_\_\_\_\_ (UN), \_\_\_\_\_ (Y)

Lector: Mark Caraher (A), Silvia Zimmerman (B)

Sacristan: \_\_\_\_\_ Servers: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

Cantor: Linda Caraher

**Friday, March 7, 7 p.m. Stations of the Cross**

Lector: \_\_\_\_\_

Sacristan: \_\_\_\_\_ Server: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE SIGN UP FOR OUR LENTEN LITURGIES**

# Calendar of **EVENTS**

## Sunday, February 23

8:00 am SRE School  
10:00 am Mass Church

## Monday, February 24

7:00 pm Folk Choir Church

## Tuesday, February 25

3:00 pm Jiu Jitsu Gym  
5:30 pm Rosary Chapel  
6:00 pm Mass followed by Adoration Chapel  
7:00 pm Boy Scouts Cafeteria  
7:30 pm OCIA BH-A

## Wednesday, February 26

8:15 am Mass Chapel

## Thursday, February 27

5:30 pm Rosary Chapel  
6:00 pm Mass Chapel  
6:30 pm Festival of Prayer Meeting BH-A  
6:30 pm PPC Exec Meeting Rectory

## Friday, February 28

8:15 am Mass Chapel  
6:00 pm 4th Grade Scouts BH-A

## Saturday, March 1

8:30 pm Lenten Morning of Reflection BH-A&B  
4:00 pm Reconciliation Church  
5:00 pm Mass Church

## Sunday, March 2

8:00 am SRE School  
10:00 am Mass Church

# Stewardship

*“But rather, love your enemies and do good to them, and lend without expecting anything back...”*

- LUKE 6:35

Easier said than done, right? But, in **Stewardship**, we are to imitate Christ. Most of us need to practice mercy and compassion more frequently. Start with the little daily annoyances that we experience, the unkind word or hateful glance we receive. Instead of plotting revenge on that person, try saying a quick prayer for that person. Praying for our enemies doesn't change them, it changes us. Mercy and compassion will keep us on the path to holiness.

## Project Rice Bowl Is Here!!

This year is the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our Lenten tradition of giving alms to help needy brothers and sisters in our archdiocese and around the world. Your generosity funds Catholic Relief Service's projects, helping people become self-sufficient. It is the charity of the Church in North America. You can find out more about the work Project Rice Bowl funds by visiting [crsricebowl.com](http://crsricebowl.com)

25% of our donations are used in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis. Look for your Rice Bowl in the pews this week!



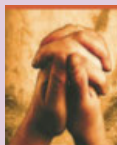
## COMMUNION CALLS

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](mailto:vineollstb@gmail.com)



## Full Time Cook Needed at OLG

Seeking a mature, friendly, and experienced food service cook to assist in preparation and serving meals for approximately 40-45 people. No certification required. We will train.

Contact Sr. Carol Falkner at 317-600-7649  
Must apply in person at  
Our Lady of Grace Monastery, 1402 Southern Ave.  
Beech Grove, IN 46107



## IN GRATITUDE WE SHARE



February 16, 2025

Actual.....	\$	5,076.00
Online Giving .....		5,193.00
Budgeted.....		<u>12,520.00</u>
Difference +/-.....	\$	<b>(2,251.00)</b>

### YTD Sunday & Holy Day

Actual.....	\$	410,973.00
Budgeted.....		<u>413,160.00</u>
Difference +/-.....	\$	<b>(2,187.00)</b>

SVdP.....	\$	270.00
Spring Benefit.....	\$	390.00
Endowment.....	\$	5,263.00
Memorial School.....	\$	5.00

## NCYC: November 20-22

If you'll be a high school student this November, you are eligible to see the NCYC: National Catholic Youth Conference! This biennial event is an incredible experience of fun, learning, and faith. Even teens who didn't want to go really enjoyed the weekend! Start finding out more about this uplifting experience by going to the website: [ncyc.us](http://ncyc.us) Then talk with Matthew Fallon about joining our parish group going to the conference! [mfallon@ollindy.org](mailto:mfallon@ollindy.org)

## Share Your Prayer Life!

Some things only get done if **you** do them. We are trying to inform and inspire the religious education students in their prayer life by sharing the different ways people pray. They will then be aware of, and consider the many ways people find connection with God, and start forming their own prayer habits. Can you give two minutes before Mass to share your prayer habits with our young disciples and build their faith? Talk to Matthew at [mfallon@ollindy.org](mailto:mfallon@ollindy.org) to get on the schedule. Thank you!!

## UNITED CATHOLIC APPEAL Progress So Far

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

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  - Parish goal: \$53,205
- Percentage to goal: 51%

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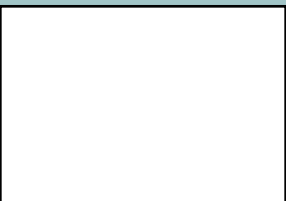
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