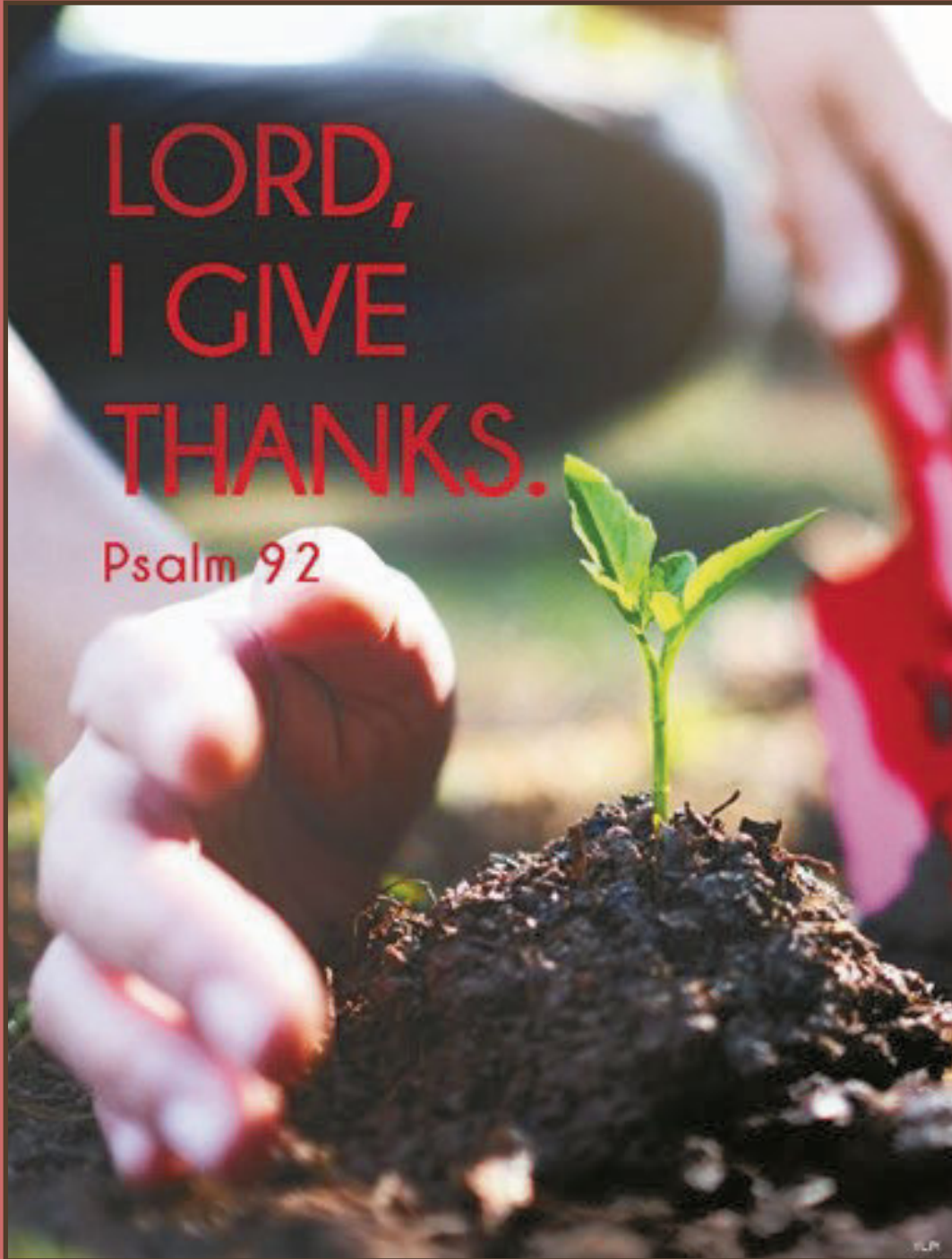


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5333 East Washington Street - Indianapolis, IN 46219

March 2, 2025



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.

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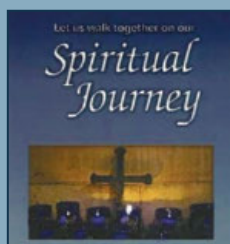
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THANK YOU!

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,

My travel to Denver International Airport from Indianapolis was marked by multiple rooky traveler blonde moments.

After wrestling with the electronic board pass kiosk, I proceeded to TSA. I got through ID check just fine. On to emptying pockets, removing jacket and sling, etc. Was able to keep on my shoes, watch, belt – a rare momentary treat.

TSA fellow saw me remove the sling; he asked if I could raise my left arm over my head for the electronic screening. Of course, no. So he invited me to step through the auxiliary metal detector. I did. It chirruped! Drat! The watch had to come off. A second pass. More chirruping. My belt had to come off; kindly he helped me do that.

Third pass, all is good. Except I realized that I left my boarding pass and driver's license on the shelf next to the bin tray loader. "No sir, you don't need to go back!" "But I need my boarding pass." "You have it in your hand." "No, that's my business select coupon." Stepped back to retrieve boarding pass and license, setting off warning bells. Oy, vey! Is this going to end well? TSA fellow kindly reassured me and assisted with re-looping my belt. I thanked him for his gracious attention, found my bin of items, and got on with my journey to the gate.

But to the wrong gate! My re-found boarding pass had two very large A-3's: one on the stub, one on the main boarding pass body. I went to gate A-3. Sat down in a very empty waiting area. Was asked twice if I was going to Orlando. No, Denver. Looking around at the emptiness, I noticed a lot of green. Not Southwest colors. No, Frontier colors. I am in the wrong place! Forced to reread the boarding pass. To the left side, in smaller print, tucked between two other lines of print: Gate B-21.

I checked my watch. Can I make it to the B Concourse in time? Please, God, may it be so! Off I hoofed for the long walk back through A-Concourse, the connecting pathway to B-Concourse, stopping twice to catch my breath (bronchial pneumonia, remember?), and praised God for the B-Concourse moving walkways ahead.

B-21 is tucked at the far end of the concourse. Southwest colors everywhere. Found a seat, glad to rest and wait. Kept hearing my name called "Richard Ginther, please go to Gate garble-garble and check with garble-garble." Heard it three times. Drat my aging ears and so much background noise! Closed my eyes. Then I heard "Richard Gunther, please go to Gate 21 and check with..." I am at Gate 21! I looked around; the actual gate attendant was not there. I turn around, attendant at the Gate 21 desk is looking my way. We clasp eyes. Light goes on! I walk over. She says she has something of mine. May she see my ID. Confirmed! She hands me my Southwest credit card I left in the boarding pass self-serve kiosk! (Which explained why I could not find it at Harry & Izzy's to pay for my snack!)

As we age, humility is a good virtue to cultivate. Well, I would say that Sunday, February 23, 2025, was quite a day for cultivation!

Father Rick

Changes to VBS This Year!

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

Knights of Columbus

Fatima Event Center Located at 1040 North Post Road
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. Cost is \$10 for adults, \$5: children under 12. C children under 5 are free.

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/317-373-3454

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OLL Parish Office/parishsecretary@ollindy.org/317-356-7291

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

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.

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Monday Night Men's Prayer Group: March 10

The Men's Prayer group will meet in Bernadette Hall at 7:30 p.m. on **Monday, March 10**. All men are not only invited, but welcome.

If you have any questions: contact Stephan Weidner at:
ollmensprayergroup@gmail.com

Socialaires

The Socialaires will be meeting at Barton's Pub, (7930 S. Emerson) on March 13, at 11:45 a.m. Please contact Diane Beasley: **317-527-7946** by Monday, March 10, if you'll be joining us. Thank you.

"Ordinary Women" to Meet March 17

The Ordinary Women book group will meet in Bernadette Hall at 7 p.m. on Monday, March 17. Please join us!

All women of the parish are welcome.

Please call Pat: **317-395-8186** for more info.



Help Prepare Our OCIA Catechumens

There are only a handful of weeks left until the OCIA catechumens receive the sacraments and join the Church and our Parish!! You can help them on their journey by leading the discussion of the Mass readings one week this Lent – talk to Matthew Fallon at **317-356-7291, ext. 107**, to get a preparation book and to schedule your week.

Our Next OCIA Meeting

Our OCIA meetings (Tuesdays at 7:30pm in Bernadette Hall) have been discussing the Decalogue (the 10 Commandments). This week we'll discuss questions from the group – what questions would you like to ask about our Catholic faith and practices? Everyone is welcome to sit in with the group - to welcome them to our parish and Church, or to get a little refresher!

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, Cathy Russell, Kevin Schwering, Vonda Sigman, Karen & Larry Thomas, Jim Warrenburg, Arianna Williams, Susan Williams, Scott Woolen



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*Please join us for our
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Pope Saint John Paul II, Evangelium vitae.

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READINGS: WEEK OF MARCH 2, 2025

Sunday: Sir 27:4-7; Ps 92:2-3,13-16; 1 Cor 15:54-58; Lk 6:39-45

Monday: Sir 17:20-24; Ps 32:1-2,5-7; Mk 10:17-27

Tuesday: Sir 35:1-12; Ps 50:5-8,14,23; Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6b,12-14,17; 2 Cor 5:20-6:2;
Mt 6:1-6,16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4,6; Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6b,18-19; Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32

Mass Intentions

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

Tuesday, March 4.....St. Casimir
5:30 pm Rosary
6:00 pm †Diane Eble Req. by Bill Bakemeyer

Wednesday, March 5.....ASH WEDNESDAY
8:15 am †Seamus DiGiusto Req. by Jim & Sue Lynch
6:00 pm †Paula Bittelmeyer Req. by Bob Bittelmeyer

Thursday, March 6.....Thursday After Ash Wednesday
5:30 pm Rosary
6:00 pm †Mike Bisesi Req. by Richard & Penny Moss

Friday, March 7.....Ss. Perpetua & Felicity, Martyrs
8:15 am †Karissa Ray-Higgins Req. by Bill Bakemeyer

Saturday, March 8.....1st Sunday of Lent
5:00 pm †Wilma Barnhart Req. by Thu St. Lawrence

Sunday, March 9.....1st Sunday of Lent
10:00 am Pro Populo

Ministry Schedule

Wednesday, March 5, 6 p.m.

Ash Wednesday

EMHC: Julie Ritzi (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

Stations of the Cross

Friday, March 7, 7 p.m.

Lector: Sally Krause Sacristan: Larry Turner

Server: _____

Friday, March 14, 7 p.m.

Lector: Paige Kervan Sacristan: Tammy Buennagel

Server: _____

Saturday, March 8, 5 p.m. 1st Sunday of Lent

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

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

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

Sacristan: Mary Morois Servers: Valeria Huerta, Peter Kavanaugh

Cantor: Linda Caraher Choir: Adult Choir

Sunday, March 9, 10 a.m. 1st Sunday of Lent

EMHC _____ (Host), Sue Wilson (Host), Fletcher Daly (Cup),
Jill Daly (Cup), Andrea Kurtz (Cup),
Beverly Durham (Cup), Jane Pittman (Main Host)

Hospitality Ministers: Mike Guinan (HM Team Leader-UN), Tad Nelson (GE),
Bob Eha (GN), Bob Davey (GW), Cole Bakemeyer (Y)

Lector: Joe Therber (A), Sally Welch (B)

Sacristan: Glenn Kurtz Servers: Heath Nelson, Felix Radomski

Cantor: Kate Miller

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

Live Streamer: Wayne Bowles

Small Linens

Sacristan: Tammy Buennagel

Calendar of **EVENTS**

Sunday, March 2

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

Monday, March 3 - IREAD (School)

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

Tuesday, March 4 - IREAD (School)

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

Wednesday, March 5 - ASH WEDNESDAY [- IREAD (School)]

8:15 am Mass Church
6:00 pm Mass Church
7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Soup Supper BH-A&B

Thursday, March 6 - IREAD (School)

5:30 pm Rosary Chapel
6:00 pm Mass Chapel
7:00 pm Engagement Committee Meeting BH-A

Friday, March 7 - END OF 3RD GRADING PERIOD - NOON DISMISSAL

8:15 am Mass Chapel
5:00 pm Lenten Fish Fry Cafeteria
7:00 pm Stations of the Cross Church
8:00 pm Cub Scout Lock-In Cafeteria & Gym

Saturday, March 8

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

Sunday, March 9

8:00 am SRE School
10:00 am Mass Church
11:30 am Parish Council BH-C
7:00 pm Confirmation Group Meeting BH-A&B

Stewardship

*"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit,
nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit."*

- LUKE 6:43

Are you using your gifts in the way God intended? Have you asked God how He would like you to use them? Do you compare yourself to others and complain about what you don't have instead of being thankful for what you do have? God gives each of us unique gifts and a unique plan. Listen to how God has called you to **Stewardship** to use your gifts, to bear good fruit, for the glory of His name.

Join Us for CRS Rice Bowl's 50th Anniversary

CRS Rice Bowl is celebrating 50 years of helping Catholic faith communities bring Lent to life and encounter God through our global family. During the 40 Days of Lent, let us journey together through CRS Rice Bowl to meet people in Nigeria, Guatemala and Bangladesh who are rising above the challenges of hunger and malnutrition.



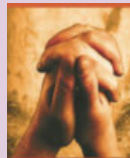
Pick up your rice bowl this weekend.

Visit crsricebowl.org/join to share your Lenten prayer intentions.

The season of Lent begins this week – CRS Project Rice Bowl begins, too. Take home a rice bowl for yourself from the pews this week. We all want to be “good Samaritans.” When we see our sister or brother suffering, we are moved by compassion. We want to help. We are inspired to give. - When we reflect on the charity of the good Samaritan, we sometimes miss the second part of the man's almsgiving. He leaves the innkeeper with these words - and a few coins: “Take care of him. If you spend more than what I have given you, I shall repay you on my way back.” He gives freely and wholeheartedly in equal measure to the need of the one whom he serves. No reservations. No disclaimers. This Lent, almsgiving is your way to become a “good Samaritan.” As we journey from Ash Wednesday through Holy Week to Easter, we invite you to consider CRS an innkeeper in your Lenten almsgiving.

Prayer Vine

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



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NCYC: November 20-22

If you are a teen or know a teen, **looky here:**

NCYC (Nat'l Catholic Youth Conference) is coming on Nov. 20-22, and all high school students may join our group going to the fun! Go to NCYC.us/about/ to find out why you should be one of the 15,000 teens from around the country coming to conference, and then let Matthew Fallon know you're coming with us! mfallon@ollindy.org

Share Your Prayer Life!

I have some prayer habits – you probably have some, too. Let's share how we pray with the Religious Education students so they can start their own routine! Matthew Fallon can put you on the 9:45 a.m. schedule to inform our students what rote prayers you use, what devotions you have, when you like to pray and where. Please take 2-3 minutes before Mass to help the kids make a meaningful connection with our God! mfallon@ollindy.org

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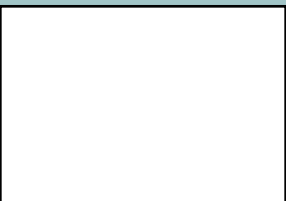
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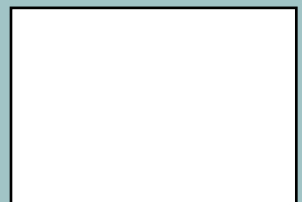
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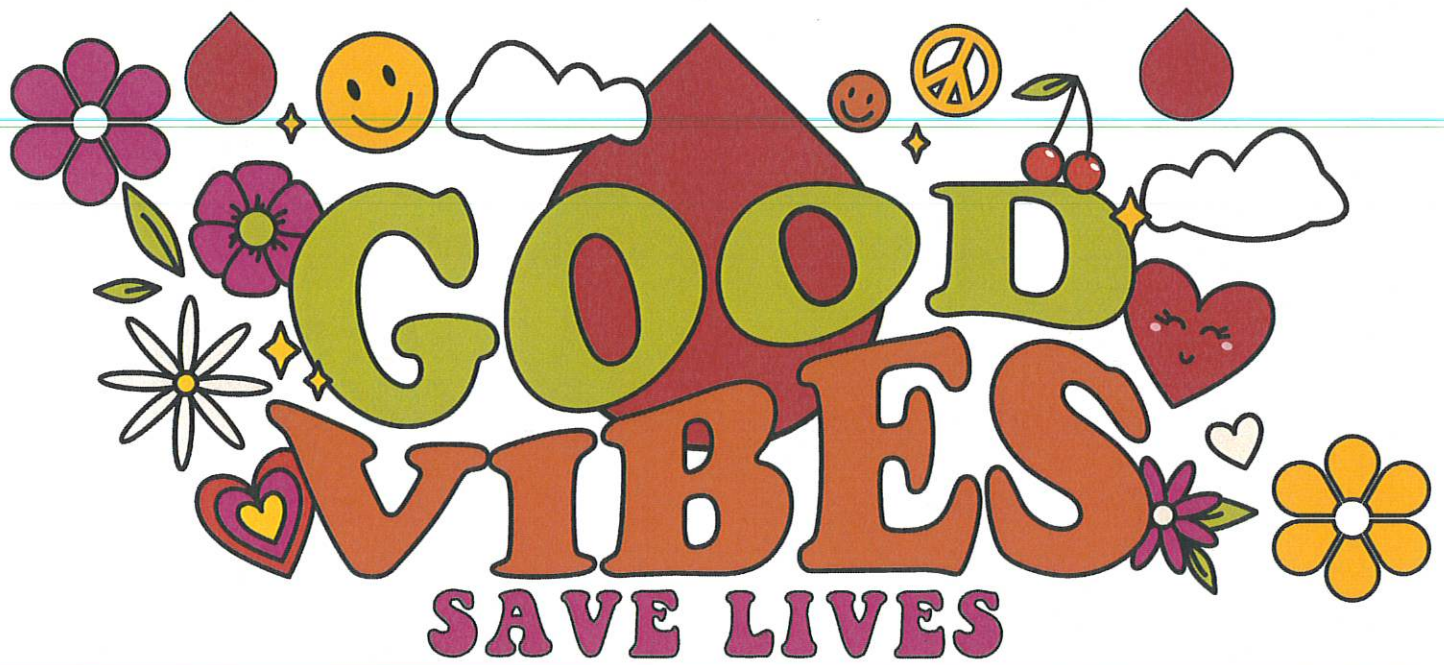
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