February 20, 2022



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, <u>please</u> 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.



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,

Two weeks ago, this letter spoke to some questions recently asked of me regarding the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Last week, this letter spoke of the post-baptismal interior conversion that the celebration of various forms of reconciliation in daily life, including the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, that belong to us as Catholic Christians.

This week, let's look at some of the reasons we avoid this Sacrament. And in looking at them, let's consider addressing them in our reflection throughout the week.

Reason 1: "I had a bad experience with a priest in the confessional in the past. I do not want to go through that again." Question: what other healing remedies do I avoid because I had a bad experience in the past? Do I enjoy being captured by a negative past experience? Am I willing to face my fear and trust in God and the priests available in our area?

Reason 2: "I know that my lesser sins are forgiven through acts of penitence (e.g., penitential rite at Mass) and receiving communion, I don't really need to go." Question: granted the power of God's forgiveness recognized by the official teaching of the Church, is this "passive" reception of forgiveness really enough to bring about conversion of life? Would not an intentional celebration from time to time each year strengthen my focus on interior conversion and lead me to a greater thankfulness for God's power of love (grace) in my life?

Reason 3: "I don't need the Church to forgive me. I know God does. Why involve another in my contrition through the person of a priest?" Question: Do I realize that my sins are not just about me and God? That they are more often than not about my attitudes, thoughts, actions and inactions toward others, or even myself? The Church provides a means of articulating our insights and sorrow for these through our 'apology' (as it were) in the Sacrament. Besides, the Lord charged the Church (in the person of the apostles) to be an agent of forgiveness of sins.

Reason 4: "I have a bad enough image of myself. I don't want to beat myself up any more than I already do by focusing on my sins." Question: It is true that many folks do have a poor self-image. But is hearing another listen attentively to the burden of our sins which are a part of our poor self-image, being offered advice and encouragement, and being prayed over not a means by which to heal part of our self-image?

Reason 5: "I just do not know how, or remember how, to celebrate the Sacrament." Question: When you do not know how to do something, are you willing to ask someone? The priest can easily guide you through the "process".



Reason 6: "fill in the blank..." Question: If none of the reasons above fit your reluctance to share in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, then what is your reason(s)? Would you be willing to share those reasons with me for others' sakes by my adding to the list of reasons?

I hope that this reflection is helpful for you. Let me know if it is or isn't. And how I might improve it.

Monday Night Men's Prayer Group: February 21

The Men's Prayer group will meet in Bernadette Hall at 7:30 p.m. on **Monday, February 21**. All men are not only invited, but welcome. Any questions: contact Bob Eha at **317-345-9884**.

E6 Men's Conference Viewing Party

All men of the parish are invited to attend a viewing party of the E6 Men's Conference to be held on February 26, in St. Leon, Indiana. Among the speakers will be Matthew Kelly and Gus Lloyd. The conferences will run from 8 a.m. to 3:35 p.m. with a break from 10:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. Please contact Andrew Warner at: **drewwarner@protonmail.com** for more info.

"I am Lourdes!" Program

Over the next few weeks, you will be hearing about our upcoming renewal program, "I am Lourdes!". This effort continues to be very important as we move forward with the mission and vision of Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church. We, as a parish family, have changed so many lives in our community! In order to continue our mission and ministries, we encourage all parishioners to spend time in prayer and discussion with your family reflecting on the work we do. Our special Commitment Weekend will be celebrated on March 19 & 20. If you have any questions regarding the "I am Lourdes!" Program, please feel free to contact the parish office.

Knights of Columbus Spaghetti Dinner

Knights of Columbus Fatima Event Center - Located at 1040 N. Post Road Fatima Council is returning Dinner with the Knights on Monday, February 28, serving a spaghetti dinner. The cost is \$8 for adults, \$4 for children 5 -12, and children under 4 are free. We will also present monthly awards for Family of the Month and Knight of the Month. Please join us for this resurrected activity.

CRS Rice Bowl - A Helping Hand Around the World As Well As In Our Own Community

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. - CRS Rice Bowls to collect your almsgiving will be passed out to our school students, and will be available in the church entrances next week!



EXPLANATORY MASS RESCHEDULED!

Our Explanatory Mass for the young disciples preparing to receive Holy Eucharist has been re-scheduled for Thursday, March 3, at the regular 6 p.m. Mass. Be advised that this Mass will run longer than usual due to the additional catechesis being provided.

ATTENTION CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

Some of our group have not turned in your (at least two) questions about the faith or the Church to Matthew...please send these in an email <u>right now</u>! Please complete work on your letter to Archbishop Thompson as well – this letter is due **NO LATER** than our next meeting, **March 6**.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Emilia Atkinson, Paula Bittelmeyer, Lucy Bross, Dick & Kathy Burgess, Denise Byers, Catherine C. Coop, Will Christiansen, Deborah Clayton, Scott Covington, John Creasey, Mike Davis, Cassandra Budreau Dunne, Debby Eha, Mona Eitel, Norma Faye, Melissa Fender, Teresa Foster, Katie Guzman, Ben Hall, Charles Hart, Isabelle Hofmeister, Michael James, Teresa Kerns, Johanna Lakin-Thomas, Kathy & Randy Kidwell, Peggy Kloenne, Joseph Kossack, Emerson Linde, Paul Linne, Jerry MacKenzie, Marilyn May, Mike Miller, Clarence Mobley, Glenda Moore, Renee Mullinix, Dale Page, Carolyn Patterson, Hayden Proffitt, Mike Rawers, Joseph Rogers, Rhonda Roseman, Fred Seddon, Kurt Suppiger, Arianna Williams, Jack Wisneski

Parish Office Hours: Monday - Friday Currently 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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SCHOOL NEWS

Dear OLL Families,

I hope that you all had a great Valentine's Day this week. Our students enjoyed celebrating the day with classroom treats and valentines from friends. Also, last Friday, our students had fun at a Valentine's Dance/Sock Hop planned by the 4th grade parents and students. Monetary donations were collected for Hannah's Memorial playground at School 57. In total, the dance raised over \$500. Thank you for your generosity!

This was also a special week because of our parish's Festival of Prayer. The parish is celebrating with a unique event each day that began with the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. Our K-8 students participated in the Rosary Walk on Thursday and were involved in the readings, music, and the procession. This was an active and beautiful way to join other parishioners in community prayer.

The staff took on our 8th grade students in a volleyball game on Friday. This was an event we rescheduled due to the snow days during Catholic Schools Week. At the time this newsletter was written, the game had still not taken place. I will share the results next week.

School registration remains open for new families. We never want finances to be a hindrance for sending your child to OLL. We offer financial aid in a few different ways. Please continue to watch the Paw Prints and other school communications for instructions on how to apply for School Choice vouchers, SGO scholarships, and parish financial aid. Call the office if you have any questions.

Though the winter has been fairly tame so far, we know we're not in the clear quite yet. Please remember to turn on emergency text alerts in Jupiter so that you can be notified if we are having a closing or delay. We'll also send a Jupiter email, post on social media, and announce on Channels 13, 8, and 6. OLL will use e-Learning days if we close.

Furthermore, thank you for your communication with the school office when COVID symptoms affect your household. We appreciate your spirit of cooperation as we navigate those situations together. Fortunately, we've had two weeks now of zero positive cases in our school.

A friendly reminder that we do not have school on Monday, February 21, for President's Day. We hope our students and staff enjoy the 3-day weekend.

> Sincerely, Chris Kolakovich Principal

February: Birthline Baby Shower Month

Items especially needed:

Boys size 2 winter and spring clothes (urgent need for the clothes) Baby wash, bottles, pacifiers, diaper cream, socks, and baby books.



Other items are welcome, too.

Donations can be placed in the bassinet by the northwest church door. The bassinet is checked weekly. If you have questions, you may call Rosemary Tudor at **317-294-2097**.

Mass Intentions

4:00 pm	February 19 Reconciliation Pro Populo	7th Sunday in Ordinary Time
		. .7th Sunday in Ordinary Time n Req. by Mark & Linda Hudson
5:30 pm		Chair of St. Peter Req. by Sally Welch
	ay, February 23 †Larry Allsop	St. Polycarp, Bishop & Martyr Req. by Jerry & Jane Allsop
5:30 pm		Req. by The McKiernan Family
	bruary 25 †Mary Wheeler	Weekday _{Req. by} Laura Piercefield
4:00 pm	February 26 Reconciliation †Mike Bisesi	8th Sunday in Ordinary Time Req. by Richard & Penny Moss
	ebruary 27 Pro Populo	.8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, F	ebruary 26, 5 p.m.	8th Sunday in Ordinary Time	
EMHC:	Deacon Tom, Julie Ritzi, Sally Budreau		
Hospitality Ministers:	Don Flick (UW-Team Leader), Kay Campbell (A-GE), Lisa Flick (A-GN), Brian Bakemeyer, (A-GW), (Y-1)		
Lector:	Mark Pittman (A), Sylvia Zimmerman (B)		
Sacristan:	Cara Swinefurth		
Servers:	Luke McDonald, Heath Nelson, Myles Parrish		
Cantor:	Linda Caraher		
Sunday, February 27, 10 a.m. 8th Sunday in Ordinar			
EMHC:	Deacon Tom, Mike Guina	n, Kirk Forster	
Hospitality Ministers: Sally Bennett (HM Team Leader, UW), John Lockhart (A-GE), Tammy Buennagel (A-G Gilbert Durham (A-GW), Garrison Gray (Y-1)		mmy Buennagel (A-GN),	
Lector:	Sally Welch (A), Theresa	Brickens (B)	
Sacristan:			
Servers:	Jacob Marshall, Chance Navarra, Myanna Navarra		
Cantor:	Kate Miller		
Small Linens Sacristan:	Sally Bennett		
CLOW Leader:	Bett L. Spence	Youth Leader:	
Wednesday, March 2, 6 p.m. Ash Wednes			
EMHC:	Deacon Tom, Linda Carah Priscilla Campbell, Monica		
Hospitality Ministers:	(A-GE), (U-E)	(A-GN),, (A-GW),	
Lector:	Mark Caraher (A), Sally Krause (B)		
Sacristan:	Tammy Buennagel		
Servers:	,,,		
Cantor:	Sylvia Zimmerman		

PLEASE SIGN-UP FOR ASH WEDNESDAY!!

Calendar of EVENTS

8:00 am 10:00 am 11:30 am		BH Church BH-2 Cafeteria
7:00 pm	February 21 - NO SCHOOL (Preside Reserved for Meeting Folk Choir Rehearsal Men's Monday Night Prayer	nts' Day) BH-S Church BH-N
5:30 pm 6:00 pm		Chapel Chapel Cafeteria
8:15 am 1:00 pm	ay, February 23 Mass Social Justice Committee MarCom Meeting	Chapel BH-2 BH-2
10:00 am 5:30 pm 6:00 pm 7:00 pm		BH-2 Chapel Chapel BH-N BH-2
	ebruary 25 Mass (All School)	Church
8:00 am	February 26 E6 Men's Conference Viewing Party Reconciliation Mass	BH-N Church Church
Sunday, 8:00 am 10:00 am		BH Church



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

Easier said than done, right? But, if 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 as <u>Stewards</u> on the path to holiness.

Share Your Faith In Sunday Religious Ed!

So many of us have love and faith to share with the children of the parish to help form them as disciples, but it can be daunting to commit to doing so all school year long. Could you be a member of our SRE catechist team <u>part of the time</u>? If you think you could give one or two weekends in a month, or fill in as a substitute, to help enlighten our youth and share the load of our catechists next year, please talk to Matthew Fallon about what is entailed to be a catechist next year (**mfallon@ollindy.org**).



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Prayer Vine

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



IN GRATITUDE WE SHARE

Church	February	/ 13, 2022
Actual	\$	7,563.00
Online Giving		5,095.00
Budgeted	\$	<u>10,763.00</u>
Difference +/(-)	Φ	1,895.00
YTD Sunday & Holy Day Actual Budgeted Difference +/(-)	\$	368,322.73 <u>362,394.00</u> 5,928.73
SVdP	\$	545.00
Endowment Fund		40.00
Children's Offering		8.00
Church in Latin America	\$	275.00
Church in Eastern Europ	e \$	10.00
Criterion	\$	47.00



COMMUNION CALLS

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

Whatsoever you do to the least of these, you do unto me (Mt 25:40)

"Even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God's creation, made in his own image, destined to live for ever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect."

- Pope Francis

READINGS WEEK OF FEBRUARY 20, 2022

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:	Jas 3:13-18; Ps 19:8-10,15; Mk 9:14-29
Tuesday:	1 Pet 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 16:13-19
Wednesday:	Jas 4:13-17; Ps 49:2-3,6-11; Mk 9:38-40
Thursday:	Jas 5:1-6; Ps 49:14-20; Mk 9:41-50
Friday:	Jas 5:9-12; Ps 103:1-4,8-9,11-12; Mk 10:1-12
Saturday:	Jas 5:13-20; Ps 141:1-3,8; Mk 10:13-16



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