



## OUR LADY OF REFUGE, Orchard Lake MI

Today is the Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time      September 24, 2023

### *Mission Statement*

Under the protection of Our Lady of Refuge and guided by the Holy Spirit, our parish family is dedicated to the propagation and deepening of our faith, rooted in the Sacraments, Sacred Scripture and Tradition of the Catholic Church. As stewards of the Father's gifts, we strive to reflect the love of Christ through the support of our parish and in our outreach and service to others.

*Call  
upon  
Him.*

PSALM 145



MASS TIMES	READINGS	MASS/PRAYER INTENTIONS	Sept. 25-Oct. 3, 2023
Day/Date/Time	Readings	Mass Intentions	Presider/Lector
Monday September 25 8:15am	Ezr 1:1-6 Lk 8:16-18	We pray for <b>Wayne Madlo</b> (deceased) requested by Janet Boyk	Fr. Richards
Tuesday September 26 8:15am	Ezr 6:6-8, 12b, 14-20 Lk 8:19-21	We pray for <b>Jane Barcewicz</b> (deceased)	Fr. Witek
Wednesday September 27 8:15am	Ezr 9:5-9 Lk 9:1-6	We pray for <b>Ed Horgas</b> (deceased)	Fr. Richards
Thursday September 28 No Mass	Hg 1:1-8 Lk 9:7-9		
Friday September 29 8:15am	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 Jn 1:47-51	We pray for <b>Aileen Schafer</b> (deceased) requested by Oscar & Jan Mittelsteadt	Fr. Richards
<b>Saturday September 30 5:00pm</b>	See Sunday Readings	We pray for <b>Joe Panian</b> (deceased) requested by Dar Panian	Fr. Richards S. Barcewicz L. Oras
<b>Sunday October 1 Today is The Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00am 9:30am 11:30am</b>	Ez 18:25-28 Phil 2:1-11 Mt 21:28-32	8:00am We pray for <b>Our Lady of Refuge Parish and School</b>  9:30am We pray for <b>Al Kretschman</b> (deceased) requested by the Majercik Family We pray for <b>Eileen Moore</b> (deceased) requested by the Family We pray for <b>Khiloud Yatooma</b> (deceased) requested by the Zerki Family  11:30am We pray for <b>Jane Barcewicz</b> (deceased) We pray for <b>Shirley Ciura</b> (deceased) mother of Cindy Ciura We pray for <b>Tony Dombrowski</b> (deceased) requested by Rick & Nancy Sitar	8:00am Fr. Richards P. Smorra G. Frank  9:30am Fr. Richards P. Riney J. Zubalik  11:30am Fr. Brooks V. Garmo J. Whalen
Monday October 2 8:15am	Zec 8:1-8 Mt 18:1-5	We pray for <b>Bob Schmidt</b> (deceased) requested by Myrtle Schmidt	Fr. Witek
Tuesday October 3 8:15am	Zec 8:20-23 Lk 9:51-56	We pray for <b>Jim Majercik</b> (deceased) 1yr. Anniv. Of Death	Fr. Witek

INVITE A FRIEND  
TO MASS NEXT WEEK!

## COMMITMENT WEEKEND



Thank you for celebrating Commitment Sunday with us this weekend. Your commitment to our parish through our "His Heart, Our Hands" Program is week you will receive a brochure introducing our "His Heart, Our Hands" Program will continue to bring life to our community. If completing your Commitment Card was not possible at Mass, you may visit our parish website at <https://olorcc.org/> and complete an electronic Commitment Card or you can mail your card to the church.

Our goal is 100% participation!  
Thank you for your generosity and support of Our Lady of Refuge Church!

## LITURGICAL MUSIC

Tim Smith

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## Family Choir is here!

Family Choir packs are now available. Family choir is open to all ages from age 8-100+. It is ideal for parents and their kids to sing together, both at home and at church. (Senior citizens are most welcome!) The time commitment is very limited.

Here are the dates:

- ⇒ Wednesday November 8 from 6:30-7:30  
– Rehearsal
- ⇒ Wednesday December 13 from 7:00-8:00  
– Rehearsal
- ⇒ Sunday December 17 at 4:00 PM concert with OLR Music Ministry (warmup 3:15 PM)
- ⇒ Sunday December 24 at 4:00 PM family Choir sings at Christmas Mass (warmup 3:15 PM)

If you are interested, email me at [tim@timothyrsmith.com](mailto:tim@timothyrsmith.com) and I will send you the materials. In the package will be sheet music and audio tracks of the music. You can look it over with no obligation and decide if it's right for you. The idea is you learn the tunes at home on your own time, then we have two rehearsals and we sing at the Christmas concert and Christmas Eve Mass. That is the whole extent of the endeavor.

Call me at 248-821-8443 if you have any questions.

Peace,  
Tim Smith



Our Lady of Refuge Church  
**Attention all 4<sup>th</sup> graders and above**  
**Would you like to serve the Lord?**  
**Become an Altar Server!**

Altar Servers at Our Lady of Refuge Parish are among the faithful that display the desire to participate in an intimate way during the Holy Sacrifice of the mass. Some of the responsibilities of an Altar Server are to assist in carrying the cross, the processional candles, the Roman Missal for Father Ron and assist him in other functions during the mass. Serving as an Altar Server is a privilege for the children to serve our loving savior, Jesus Christ as he becomes truly present in the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity upon the altar.

**Altar Server Training will begin on Tuesday  
October 3rd in the church from 3-4pm**

If your child is interested please contact Samantha Dalimonte via email at [sammyhawkins@hotmail.com](mailto:sammyhawkins@hotmail.com)

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You can still donate by check or cash. Make Checks payable to OLR. Send checks or cash in a sealed envelope with the student's name, grade, and Attn: Parents Club clearly marked. Send in your donations daily to ensure credit is given toward class and grade challenges!

<https://givebuter.com/RAVENRUN2023>  
**Test to RaveRun2023 to 53-555**



## Sacred Heart Major Seminary Halloween Candy Help

It's that time of the year again! Halloween is just around the corner, and Sacred Heart Major Seminary needs your help. Each year the seminary community opens their doors and their hearts to over 2000 children from the surrounding Detroit neighborhood so that the kids can have a fun and safe place to play games and trick-or-treat. But they need your help to make this year a success: They are asking for donations of Halloween candy that will then be passed out to the many kids. If you are willing to participate in this important ministry by donating bags of candy please bring them to the narthex of the church, there will be a box to place your donations. Thank you!



A Prayer Shawl is a hand crafted knitted or crocheted shawl that is given to an individual in need of prayer, hope, comfort and love. The purpose of the shawl is to let the recipient know that they are being thought of and prayed for in difficult times.

Creating the shawl is a prayerful process. Prayers for healing and hope are literally woven into the shawl. This ministry of making and giving shawls serves as a gesture of love in difficult times.

Prayer Shawl Ministry meets once a month.

All are welcome.

Please contact

Christian Service @[cs@olorcc.org](mailto:cs@olorcc.org) or 248-682-4099 to join this ministry

Or if you know of an individual that would benefit from a prayer shawl.

## CHRISTIAN SERVICE

Suzanne Barcewicz

248-682-4099

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### Crossroads Soup Kitchen Toy Drive



*Spread the joy of giving and help reach our goal of collecting 250 games, puzzles and toys.*

*Bring an unwrapped gift and help parents in need to "shop" free, selecting the perfect present to make this Christmas very special for their children. Your generosity can light up the young hearts of the Crossroads Families.*

*Please donate a game, toy or puzzle to our toy drive for kids ages 4-13.*

*We are still accepting items until November 30th. Donations can be dropped off in the Parish Narthex*

### Cook Much??

Angel's Place Meals needs your culinary delights!! Please consider signing up to take a meal on either a Monday, Wednesday or Friday

Here is the link or QR code to sign-up genius <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0D49A8AB2BAAF58-angels>. Details are on the site or for questions contact Suzanne @ [cs@olorcc.org](mailto:cs@olorcc.org)



### Blood Drive

October 30

The need for blood is always ongoing. Have you thought about giving blood, but have been reluctant to do so? There is a lot of information for donors on the Red Cross website, [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org), that can help alleviate any concerns you may have. Please consider giving at our Fall Blood Drive with the Red Cross on Monday, October 30th, in the Social Hall from 1-7pm.

Appointments can be scheduled online by visiting [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) and entering sponsor code "OLRC."

## NEEDED PANTRY ITEMS

Liquid Dish Soap 10-20oz.  
Toilet Bowl Cleaner  
Shampoo & Conditioner  
Liquid Hand Soap

Deodorant for WOMEN  
Laundry Detergent  
Body Wash for MEN or WOMEN

## EVANGELIZATION

Dave Kennedy

248.418.7221

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Hello everyone! I know this may sound weird, since we officially enter the fall season this weekend, but I want to bring your attention to a few events that are happening next summer, so you can pray about attending, plan, and prepare. The National Eucharistic Congress will be held from July 17-21 in Indianapolis, Indiana at the Lucas Oil Stadium. This event is the first Eucharistic Congress to be held in 83 years.

“The whole Congress will be an experience of prayer: a liturgical act offering the Catholic Church—those in attendance in Indianapolis as well as across the country—to the Father, through the Son, and in the Holy Spirit. This reconsecration will result in a massive outpouring of grace and renewed missionary sending as participants are moved to share the Eucharistic love of the Lord “for the life of the world” (John 6:51). (Excerpt from the NEC website)

This event will include approximately 80,000 Catholic faithful, nationally and globally renowned speakers such as Fr. Mike Schmitz, Chris Stefanick, and Sr. Miriam James Heidland. During the course of this event we will worship, celebrate mass, attend break-out sessions, and experience the beauty of Adoration on a level not seen since 1940. (<https://www.eucharisticcongress.org>)

Another conference available next summer is the Power and Purpose Conference at Franciscan University of Steubenville. Being held the weekend of June 14-16, this conference includes praise and worship sessions and nationally respected speakers all while enjoying the beauty of the Ohio Valley near the West Virginia border (<https://steubenvilleconferences.com/adult/>)

Also, in June, Encounter Ministries will be hosting the Encounter Conference at the Glass City Center in Toledo, Oh. from June 26-28. This powerful conference also provides an amazing opportunity to enjoy praise and worship and incredible speakers only an hour or so from your driveway. (<https://encounterministries.us/conference/>)

Saying yes to God and attending events like these (my wife and I have attended both the Power and Purpose Conference and the Encounter Conference multiple times) have had such a profound impact on my relationship with Jesus and have been some of the most enjoyable and fun times Michele and I have had together. Please prayerfully consider these events and God Bless!



The C.E.T. is the Our Lady of Refuge  
Community Engagement Team!!

**First and foremost, this team will be fun! As we continue to build a culture of radical hospitality here at OLR we need your energy, ideas, and excitement! We will plan and host events, throughout the year, for the parish and community to come relax, encounter our Savior Jesus, and enjoy our beautiful campus!**

There will be a C.E.T. information night, hosted by Dave Kennedy, on Thursday October 5th @ 7:00pm in the Social Hall. Please scan the QR code to register.





**Jeanette De Conick**  
**Tom Eldredge**  
**Jeannie Valente**  
**Kathy Westerfield**

**Pray for  
Our Seminarians**



*Benjamin Schroder  
Theology II  
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### OUR PARISH STEWARDSHIP

**September 16/17, 2023**

Offertory: \$9,311

Online Giving: \$3,922

Total: \$13,233

Weekly Budget: \$12,300

YTD Budgeted: \$147,600

YTD Actual: \$149,580

Over the Budget: \$1,980

### **Why Be Registered?**

Are you registered at Our Lady of Refuge parish? Sometimes, people attend Mass at this parish for several years, but never officially register. Registering in a parish is a declaration of your desire to be part of a Catholic community and to make a commitment to the life of Our Lady of Refuge community.

Being a registered parishioner makes the process much easier when it is time for baptisms, Faith Formation registration, weddings, when asked to be a baptismal or Confirmation sponsor, and even funerals.

If you would like to register in the parish, please call Carol Bishop at (248) 682-0920. We welcome you to our parish family!

### **Pray for the men and women who serve in our Armed Forces**

"Dear Lord Jesus and Mary, Mother of God, hold all these brave souls in the palm of your hand; comfort them and their families. Send angels of protection, love and comfort to all the service men and women still at war, bring them home safely and comfort their families. We ask this through Christ Our Lord, Amen."

Rev. Przemyslaw Nowak Army Chaplain

Clare Bizer	Coast Guard
Eugene Bizer	Coast Guard
Christopher Bowman	Coast Guard
Daniel Culbertson	Navy
Michelle Culliver	Army
Nora Dinverno	Army
Steven Dinverno	Army
Nicholas Harbaugh	Marines
Joshua Hartley	Air Force
Nova Howard	Army
Capt. Liam Lynch	Army
Gunnar Ottman	National Guard

Please contact Cora Armitage at 248 736-6228 to add or remove a name.

- A. To add a person to the bulletin/board Military listing please provide:
  1. First and Last Name
  2. Current rank—Branch of Service
- B. As the contact for the service member (not for publication) please provide:
  - 1 Your Name
  - 2 Your phone number or e-mail address
  - 3 A current address for the service member.

### **DIRECTORY**

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#### **WEEKEND MASSES**

**Saturday 5:00pm**

**Sunday 8:00, 9:30 & 11:30am**

#### **DAILY MASS SCHEDULE**

**8:15am Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri.**

#### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Saturday 3:30-4:30pm

**BAPTISMS** .....(By appointment)

**MARRIAGES** Six Months Notice By Appointment

#### **PARISH REGISTRATION**

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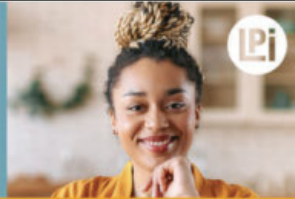
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