



OUR LADY OF REFUGE, Orchard Lake MI

Today is the **Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time** **November 12, 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.



32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"You know neither the day nor the hour."
- Mt 25: 13

MASS TIMES	READINGS	MASS/PRAYER INTENTIONS	Nov. 13–21, 2023
Day/Date/Time	Readings	Mass Intentions	Presider/Lector
Monday November 13 8:15am	Wis 1:1-7 Lk 17:1-6	We pray for Allen Richards (deceased) requested by the OLR Staff	Fr. Witek
Tuesday November 14 8:15am	Wis 2:23—3:9 Lk 17:7-10	We pray for Tom Bayma (deceased) requested by Connie Bayma	Bp. Hurley
Wednesday November 15 8:15am	Wis 6:1-11 Lk 17:11-19	We pray for Madusa Mansour (living) requested by Myrtle Schmidt We pray for George Saroki (deceased) requested by Fadia Sheena	Fr. Witek
Thursday November 16 No Mass	Wis 7:22b—8:1 Lk 17:20-25		
Friday November 17 8:15am	Wis 13:1-9 Lk 17:26-37	We pray for Richard C. Najor (deceased)	Bp. Hurley
Saturday November 18 5:00pm	See Sunday Readings	We pray for Our Lady of Refuge	Fr. Witek S. Barcewicz L. Young
Sunday November 19 Today is The Thirty third Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00am 9:30am 11:30am	Prv 31:10-13, 19-20 30-31 1 Thes 5:1-6 Mt 25:14-30	8:00am 9:30am We pray for Sabri Attisha & his parents (deceased) We pray for Geoffrey Sale (living) requested by the Sale Family We pray for Khiloud Yatooma (deceased) requested by the Zerki Family 11L30am We pray for William Hughes (deceased) requested by Leigh & Theresa Dushane We pray for Lisa Huhn (deceased) requested by Robert Huhn We pray for Zaki Zara (deceased) requested by the Family	8:00am Fr. Buersmeyer M. Harris G. Harris 9:30 Bp. Hurley P. Riney B. Harper 11:30am Fr. Wegner S. Shamoon J. Whalen
Monday November 20 8:15am	1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63 Lk 18:35-43	We pray for Irene Bayma (deceased) requested by Connie Bayma We pray for Ruby, Robert, Jr., & Lisa Huhn (deceased) requested by Robert Huhn We pray for Eric Willyard (living) requested by the Devine Family	Bp. Hurley
Tuesday November 21 8:15am	2 Mc 6:18-31 Lk 19:1-10		Fr. Witek



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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

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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
Our Seminarians**



*Joshua Burcroff
Pastoral Year
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November 4/5, 2023

Offertory: \$14,140

Online Giving: \$6,003

Total: \$20,143

Weekly Budget: \$12,300

YTD Budgeted: \$233,700

YTD Actual: \$252,586

Over the Budget: \$18,886

2023 CSA wrap up

A heartfelt **thank you** to all who participated in this year's Catholic Services Appeal. We did it again!



We have not only met our \$78.5K goal, but exceeded it by **over \$45k!**

Goal:	\$ 78,528	Number of Families in the Parish:	783
Total Pledged:	\$ <u>124,073</u>	Number of Pledges:	237
Anticipated Refund:	\$ 45,545	Participation Rate:	31%

Thanks to your generosity, we will be able to use the additional funds (returned to us 100% tax free) towards parish improvement projects.

Through your contributions, the Archdiocese of Detroit is able to make a meaningful impact on so many initiatives. The CSA is supporting over 160 diocesan programs, reaching directly other Catholics where the assistance is most needed. The CSA supports the process of ministry formation for future priests, deacons and youth ministries. It provides services for the poor in soup kitchens, shelters and food pantries. It funds technology and the communication programs helping parishioners to attend online enrichments programs and live streamed masses.

Again, thank you for being the driving force behind this year's campaign.

– Eva Ashor, Business Manager

Advent Wreath – Candle Lighting



We have a tradition here at Our Lady of Refuge Parish of having parishioners come forward to light our Advent Candles. Those involved will join the procession behind our Altar Servers and go directly to our Advent Wreath where you will light the appropriate candle or candles for that Advent Mass.

There is a reservation sheet where you can sign up in advance for a Mass located on the podium in the narthex next to our processional cross. Thank you in advance for your participation! If you have any questions or concerns contact Lisa Marie at 248-418-7424 or lblanek@olorcc.org.

Knights of Columbus

Pancake Breakfast

November 19th
After all Sunday Masses

Proceeds support Our Lady of Refuge's
 American Heritage Girls Troop 1001

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EVANGELIZATION

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Hello everyone!

Great things are happening here at OLR and I wanted to fill you in on a few of them! We have started our evening food pantry hours, our Christian Service team is hosting our annual Turkey Harvest Wagon, our OCIA team has welcomed 5 new people to our weekly meetings, the Community Engagement Team begins meeting this week (if interested email me at dkennedy@olorcc.org), Tim is hard at work organizing our Youth Choir for our Christmas Celebrations (see bulletin for details), our Advent Wreath Candle Lighting is approaching (sign up sheet in the Narthex), and in January we will reopen the Upper Room and welcome our young people back to youth group!

It is humbling for me to work with the staff we have here at OLR! These are amazing ministries, ran by amazing people, that are helping not only the parishioners at OLR grow in faith, but also welcoming to the surrounding community. We are evangelizing to those who are seeking Jesus, strengthening those who know Jesus, working to form joyful missionary disciples, creating a culture of radical hospitality, and thanking God ahead of time for His perfect plan for OLR along the way!

Each of one these ministries has a place for you! Each of us has God given gifts and talents that could help develop and grow these already great ministries. So, step outside your comfort zone, say yes to God, check the bulletin, and reach out to the staff if you have questions or would like to get involved. God will bless your yes!



Meeting will be held on Monday, November 13 @ 6pm in the Parish Office.

Please contact Dave Kennedy at dkennedy@olorcc.org to RSVP

Find out more about the C.E.T. What we'll be doing. And how you can get involved.

All are welcome, see you there!!!

Dear Our Lady of Refuge,

Thanks to the generosity of the parishioners at Our Lady of Refuge, our annual Halloween celebration was a huge success again this year! Our neighbors turned out faithfully to celebrate with us, with roughly 2,000 attending again this year! The atmosphere was filled with laughter and fun. Here are a couple links to some pictures: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1Zxah3OwueWxkCv2d6Bb0bLGq2cZNRMuG?usp=share_link and <https://flic.kr/s/aHBqjB1RYE>

These pictures will hopefully give you and the Refuge family a glimpse into the beautiful joy they brought to the hearts (and faces) of so many of our wonderful neighbors. I hope these pictures help to capture the apostolic work done during Halloween. Please share our gratitude and these photos with the rest of the parish staff.

Again, thank you so much for your generosity in making the day, week or even year of so many of our young neighbors, and for helping their parents and grandparents experience the joy of seeing them so excited! None of this could be possible without you and your kind support. Please keep us in prayer as we do you.

LITURGICAL MUSIC

Tim Smith

248-821-8443

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Responsorial Psalm this week: Psalm 63 *My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.*

This Psalm has a desolate, desert-like quality.

for you my flesh pines and my soul thirsts like the earth, parched, lifeless and without water.

The music for this setting also has a wandering and searching quality. You can listen to this and upcoming responsorial Psalms at www.timothyrsmith.com

Mark your calendar!

Christmas Concert Sunday December 17 from 4-5 PM in the church, featuring Our Lady of Refuge Music Ministry Reception immediately after in Fellowship Hall.

AV Tech Ministry

Wanted: Tech operators for mass slides, sound, and livestream at weekend masses

You may have noticed the vast array of new audio-visual equipment in church. We need you! This is an interesting and creative way you can serve the parish – and you can use these skills for other audio-visual activities. If you are at all interested, please give me call at 248-821-8443 and we can have a no-obligation conversation about what is involved with AV Tech Ministry.

Catholic Charities of Southeast Michigan

Please consider contributing to the annual parish collection taking place the weekend of November 18 and 19 in support of the important work of Catholic charities of Southeast Michigan. You can positively impact the lives of thousands of people served by Catholic Charities throughout the Archdiocese of Detroit and right here in our own backyard. Each year Catholic Charities helps more than 20,000 people combat poverty and crisis to move toward a better life.

If you are able, please give to help Catholic Charities continue critical services including providing perishable groceries and basic needs to homebound seniors, assistance to pregnant moms, behavioral health and substance abuse counseling, food pantries, adoption and foster care services, refugee resettlement, and other family support services.

Here in Oakland County, wide range of services are offered including Adoption and Foster Care, Adult Day Services, Behavioral Health and substance abuse counseling, refugee resettlement, and the Senior Outreach Program which helps low-income and disabled homebound seniors age in place with dignity, delivering perishable groceries and personal necessities to their homes. Senior volunteer and enrichment opportunities are offered through the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (R.S.V.P.), Foster Grandparent Program and Senior Companion Program. The Walking with Moms in Need initiative partners with the Archdiocese of Detroit to equip and assist Catholic parishes and parishioners in raising awareness about resources that aid pregnant and parenting moms in need.

The Center for Working Families at Catholic Charities' La Casa Amiga location in Pontiac provides many family support services including job, education, and financial literacy assistance; food pantry; mentoring and tutoring. The Project Hope pro-life ministry assists pregnant and parenting moms and the La Casa Amiga Legal Clinic provides immigration assistance.

Envelopes are available to donate or you can donate online at ccsem.org/impact.

May God bless your generosity!



Ray Bednark
Sue Bednark
Bev Chilton
Jeanette De Conick
Rudy Garcia
Helen Purcell
Jeannie Valente
Harvey Verbulen

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.

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Suzanne Barcewicz

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*This year on our beautiful Giving Tree
 there will be a combination of Agencies
 and wishes from our Neighbors in Need.
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 and the Neighbors in Need will be on
 white tags.*

*Please consider choosing a white tag
 along with a pink or purple tag so that all
 of our local Neighbors are selected to receive
 a lovely gift from the tree.*

*White tags may be wrapped
 Pink and Purple tags are not!*



Thank You Donors and Volunteers

Thank you to all the OLR parishioners and others who donated blood at the blood drive held at OLR on October 30, 2023 with the American Red Cross.

27 units of blood were collected. That means up to 81 patients can be helped because of your generous gift!

Also, thank you Cora Armitage, Marilyn Schafer, Karla Barnes and Liz Oras for your help at the blood drive.

A very special THANK YOU to Bronia Maiorano for organizing and hosting each successful blood drive at Our Lady of Refuge

Pro-Life Ministry –

*Have you thought about being a life mentor
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*Contact Julie Llewellyn for details on how
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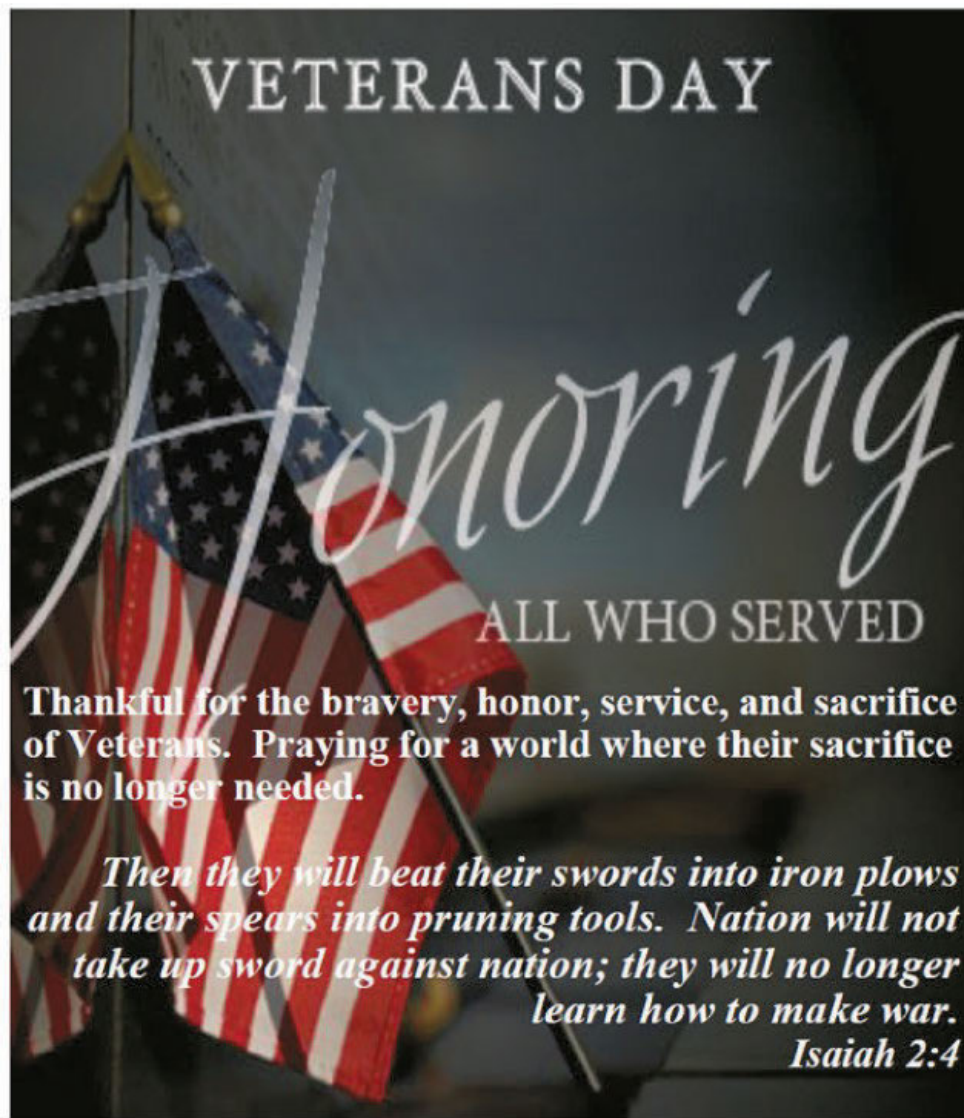
Please join us on
 Saturday, November 18th @ 10:00 a.m.
 to pray in front of Women's Center of Michigan at 6765
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 We will be praying the rosary on the sidewalk in front of
 the building.

If you have any questions, please contact
 Julie Llewellyn at julieQQQ@yahoo.com

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Blessing of Veterans

There are so many veterans in our county now. It used to be that veterans were a small contingency in our communities. It did not take that much effort to care for and, once a year, thank them. Now, however, with so many wars in violent parts of the world, there are more veterans than we can compassionately care for. There are many men and women who come back from the service who are wounded for life, either physically, mentally, or emotionally. On this Veterans Day, let us remember those who have served our country, but more than remember, let us redouble our efforts to care for those still with us.

Let us pray...

*Good and gracious God, you do not condone war.
Help us to understand the cause of war
and work toward alleviating it
from the face of the earth you created.*

*We ask you to bless the veterans of our country,
but also to bless the veterans of our enemies too.
War is the ultimate failure on our part to see the needs of our neighbor.
Let us remember that our neighbor is our brother.*

*We ask this in the name of Jesus,
our brother and Savior.
Amen.*



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My soul
is thirsting
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O Lord.

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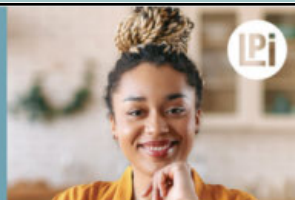
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