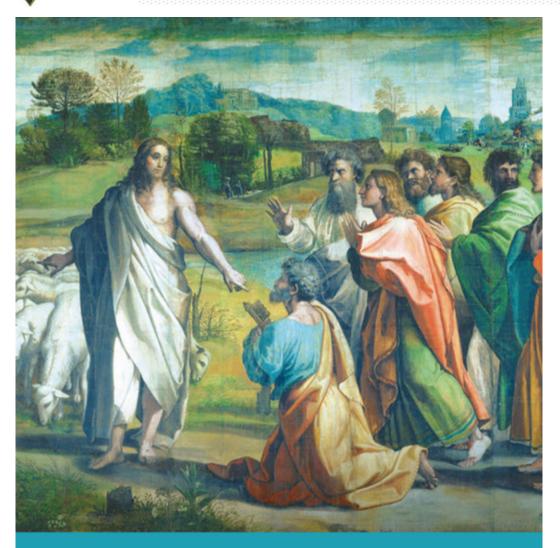
OUR LADY OF REFUGE, Orchard Lake MI

November 26, 2023

Today is Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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.



OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

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"'Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.'" - Mt 25:34

MASS TIMES	READINGS	MASS/PRAYER INTENTIONS Nov. 27-Dec. 5, 2023	
Day/Date/Time	Readings	Mass Intentions	Presider/Lector
Monday November 27 8:15am	Dn 1:1-6, 8-20 Lk 21:1-4	We pray for Patricia Martinez (deceased) requested by Leigh & Theresa Dushane	Fr. Witek
Tuesday November 28 8:15am	Dn 2:31-45 Lk 21:5-11	We pray for Col. John Burt (living) for his healing requested by the Family	Bp. Hurley
Wednesday November 29 8:15am	Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28 Lk 21:12-19	We pray for Tom Empric (living) requested by Dan & Debbie Schneble We pray for Lauren Palazzolo (deceased)	Fr. Witek
Thursday November 30 No Mass	Rom 10:9-18 Mt 4:18-22		
Friday December 1 8:15am	Dn 7:2-14 Lk 21:29-33	We pray for Betty (deceased) and Louise (living) Burt	Bp. Hurley
Saturday December 2 5:00pm	See Sunday Readings	We pray for Dar & (Joe –deceased) Panian Celebrating their 56th Anniversary of Marriage We pray for Fawzi Shaya (deceased) requested by the Shaya Family	Fr. Buersmeyer S. Barcewicz L. Oras
Sunday December 3 Today is the 1st. Sunday of Advent 8:00am 9:30am 11:30am	Is 63:16b-17, 19b, 64:2-7 1 Cor 1:3-9 Mk 13:33-37	8:00am We pray for Our Lady of Refuge Parish 9:30am We pray for Sally Blanek (deceased) requested by the OLR Choir We pray for Cecily Willyard (living) We pray for Khiloud Yatooma (deceased) requested by the Zerki Family 11:30am We pray for Michael Hughes (deceased) requested by Leigh & Theresa Dushane We pray for George Saroki (deceased) requested by Fadia Sheena We pray for Zaki Zara (deceased) requested by the Family	Fr. Jozwiak T. Klimmek G. Klimmek 11:30am Fr. Sabadell S. Shamoon
Monday December 4 8:15am	Is 2:1-5 Mt 8:5-11	We pray for Irene and Ed Bayma (deceased) requested by Connie Bayma	Bp. Hurley
Tuesday December 5 8:15am	Is 11:1-10 Lk 10:21-24	We pray for Col. John Burt (living) for his healing	Fr. Witek

INVITE A FRIEND TO MASS NEXT WEEK!

Blessing of an Advent Wreath

The use of the Advent Wreath is a traditional practice which has found its place in the Church as well as in the home. The blessing of an Advent Wreath takes place the First Sunday of Advent or on the evening before the First Sunday of Advent.

When the blessing of the Advent Wreath is celebrated in the home, it is appropriate that it be blessed by a parent or another member of the Family.

All make the Sing of the Cross as the leader says:

Our help is in the name of the Lord.

Response (R/.) Who made heaven and earth.

Then the Scripture, Isaiah 9: (lines 1-2 and 5-6) or Isaiah 63 (lines 16-17 & 19) or Isaiah 64 (lines 2-7) is read:

Reader: The word of the Lord.

R/. Thanks be to God

With hands joined, the leader says:

Lord our God, we praise you for your Son, Jesus Christ; he is Emmanuel, the hope of the peoples; he is the wisdom that teaches and guides us, he is the Savior of every nation.

Lord God.

Let your blessing come upon us as we light the candles of this wreath. May the wreath and its light be a sign of Christ's promise to bring us salvation. May he come quickly and not delay. We ask this through Christ our Lord. R/. Amen

The blessing may conclude with a verse from "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel":

O come, desire of nations, bind in one the hearts of humankind; bid ev'ry sad division cease and be thyself our Prince of peace.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

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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.



OUR PARISH STEWARDSHIP

November 11/12, 2023

Offertory: \$18,249 Online Giving: \$2,294 Total: \$20,543

Weekly Budget: \$12,300

YTD Budgeted: \$246,000 YTD Actual: \$252,992 Over the Budget: \$6,992

CHRISTIAN SERVICE Suzanne Barcewicz

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Giving Tree and Adopt a Family Combined

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

The Agency tags will be on pink and purple tags 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!



Pro-Life Ministry

Have you thought about being a life mentor for a young mother in need?

Contact Julie Llewellyn for details on how you can support @ julieqqq@yahoo.com

Angel's Place Meals Needs you!



Angel's Place Meals are still happening. After 3 years of supporting Angel's Place every Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

We are asking for more sign-ups (3)

Here are the details:

There are 6 men and 2 staff members. They are very thankful for each and every meal that they receive. They have no dietary restrictions and they count on the meal for which has been signed up. Meals need to be delivered between 3-5 p.m. More details are on the sign-up genius page. Questions can be sent to Suzanne @ cs@olorcc.org
Sign up to bring a meal:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0D49A8AB2BAAF58-angels or scan below

https://signupgenius .com/#!/showSignU...



EVANGELIZATION Dave Kennedy

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Hello everyone!

Now we prepare to enter into the beautiful season of Advent this coming Sunday, December 3rd. Advent is a time of waiting and hope as we prepare to celebrate the coming of our Savior. I know I say this a lot, but THIS is my favorite time of year! I truly enjoy the Advent season and the beauty of the holiday season. I came across this beautiful Advent Prayer and wanted to share this with you all to read in preparation. Enjoy and God Bless!

Lord Jesus, Master of both the light and the darkness, send your Holy Spirit upon our preparations for Christmas.

We who have so much to do seek quiet spaces to hear your voice each day.

We who are anxious over many things

Look forward to your coming among us.

We who are blessed in so many ways long for the complete joy of your kingdom.

We whose hearts are heavy seek the joy of your presence.

We are your people, walking in darkness, yet seeking the light.

To you we say, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

Amen.

-Henri J.M. Nouwen

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As part of the preparation for the first reception of Holy Communion, Our Lady of Refuge will be celebrating the first Sacrament of Reconciliation with school and parish families of 2nd grade students on Monday, December 4, 2023 at 7pm. Parents will have the opportunity to receive the sacrament along with their children. All 2nd grade school families and all 2nd grade evening religious education families are invited to attend. There will be no religious education classes that evening. 2nd grade families should have already received a notice with more information. This is an important moment in the lives of these young people. Please pray for them and their families.

Also, I would like to gently remind all <u>new employees</u>, <u>stipend individuals</u>, <u>and volunteers</u> that they must complete a Protecting God's Children session BEFORE commencing their employment or ministry. The following dates are now open for New Registrants for Protecting God's Children Workshops.

In-Person Sessions:

November 29 @ 6:00 p.m. - Catholic Central High School, Novi

Online Sessions:

November 27 @ 5:30 p.m. - https://bit.ly/Virtus_Registration

Should you have any questions, please contact the Office of Child and Youth Protection at protectchildren@aod.org or 313-237-5826.

GLOBAL CELEBRATION OF YOUTH

Pope Francis has asked for this Sunday, the Feast of Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, to also be a celebration of youth and young adults. We want to recognize, appreciate, and encourage all the young people in the parish - everyone from age 12 to 39 - so I can say at least the pope thinks I'm still young! For all the contributions you make to the community and your families, we offer our heartfelt thanks and support as you continue to walk the path with Jesus.

Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, to you we turn in humble prayer. Look with favor upon all young people, bearers of hope for the Church and the world.

Jesus Christ, companion of youth and young adults, bless the paths of discovery and discernment, through times of joy and experiences of hardship, with the constant love and support of your Church. Jesus Christ, alive in the hearts of all your people, grant that we may "journey together, young and old... to nourish our enthusiasm, cause dreams to emerge, awaken prophecies and enable hope to blossom."*

Jesus Christ, Redeemer of all humankind, open our hearts to encounter all young people, to accompany and be in community together, and as one Church, embark upon our holy mission. Jesus Christ, in the company of the Father and the Holy Spirit, graciously hear our prayer and be with us forevermore. Amen.

* Pope Francis, Christus Vivit, 199

School Spotlight

We are so thankful for the love and support that Our Lady of Refuge community has given to the programs and initiatives we have had throughout the years. It is important for us to continue to grow together in faith and love. Here are two great opportunities for us to support Our Lady of Refuge! One is by adding Our Lady of Refuge to your Kroger reward account. To do so, simply log in to your Kroger account, click on the "Rewards" tab and then "Community Rewards". Search for "Our Lady of Refuge School or CODE: QN435" and click "Enroll". It's as simple as that! Also, you are invited to buy Mabel's Labels with a 20% return on all purchases. Again, we thank you kindly for taking the opportunity to support Our Lady of Refuge!











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

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

- 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 ad-
 - 3 A current address for the service member.

Tim Smith 248-821-8443 tim@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.

Responsorial Psalm this week: Psalm 23 The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

This is perhaps the most familiar of all the Psalms. The words of faith are often dissonant with the circumstances of the Psalm – such as a funeral. Just as our grief tugs with our faith. So the music has descending lines and a cloud of dissonance that is in dissonance with the great words of faith:

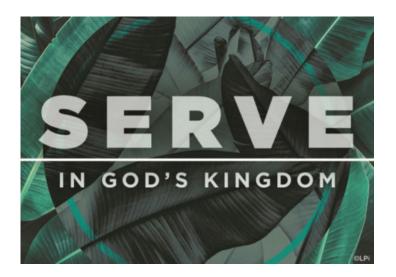
Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the hosue of the Lord for years to come.

You can listen to this and upcoming responsorial Psalms at www.timothvrsmith.com

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.



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WEEKEND MASSES Saturday 5:00pm Sunday 8:00, 9:30 & 11:30am

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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



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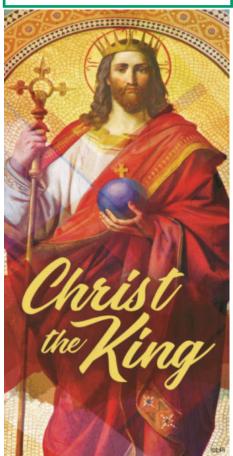
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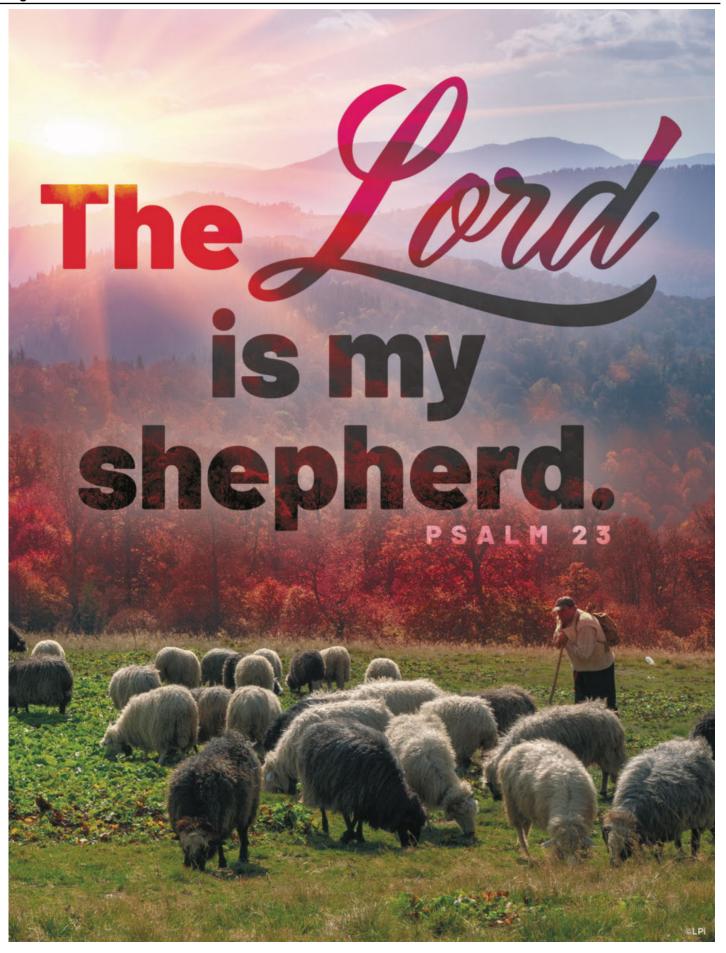
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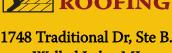
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