




OUR LADY OF REFUGE, Orchard Lake MI

Today is The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time January 14, 2024

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.



2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

John was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, "Behold, the Lamb of God." The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus. - Jn 1:35-36

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MASS TIMES	READINGS	MASS/PRAYER INTENTIONS	Jan 15–23, 2024
Day/Date/Time	Readings	Mass Intentions	Presider/Lector
Monday January 15 8:15am	1 Sm 15:16-23 Mk 2:18-22	We pray for Betty McEndarffer (living) requested by the Family	Fr. Peterman
Tuesday January 16 8:15am	1 Sm 16:1-13 Mk 2:23-28		Fr. Witek
Wednesday January 17 8:15am	1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51 Mk 3:1-6	We pray for Rita Currell (deceased) requested by John Currell We pray for Khiloud Yatooma (deceased) requested by the Zerki Family	Fr. Peterman
Thursday January 18 No Mass	1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7 Mk 3:7-12		
Friday January 19 8:15am	1 Sm 24:3-21 Mk 3:13-19	We pray for Spencer Schafer (deceased) requested by Oscar & Jan Mittelstaedt	Fr. Peterman
Saturday January 20 5:00pm	See Sunday Readings	We pray for Our Lady of Refuge	Fr. Witek L. Young L. Oras
Sunday January 21 Today is The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:30am 11:30am	Jon 3:1-5, 10 1 Cor 7:29-31 Mk 1:14-20	9:30am We pray for Kathy Hasty (living) requested by Paul & Lois Sokolowski & Family We pray for Khiloud Yatooma (deceased) requested by the Zerki Family We pray for Colin Zerki (deceased) requested by the Zerki Family 11:30am We pray for Jeanette DeConick (deceased) requested by Ellie Simchak We pray for Samantha Olekszy (deceased) requested by Claudia Taffe We pray for Naqia Saba (deceased)	9:30am Fr. Peterman A. Cintron C. Forester 11:30am Fr. Peterman G. Ansara S. Wardle
Monday January 22 8:15am	2 Sm 5:1-7, 10 Mk 3:22-30		Fr. Witek
Tuesday January 23 8:15am	2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19 Mk 3:31-35	We pray for Richard Najor (deceased) requested by Juliet Najor	Fr. Peterman



Attention: Our Lady of Refuge Parish and School
weather related cancellations

Please be advised if the school is closed due to weather conditions, the **ENTIRE** campus is closed. (The only exception is the morning Mass). This includes **ALL** school activities, sporting events, practices, open gym, etc. As well as any parish programs, meetings, prayer groups, etc.

The safety of our school families and our parishioners is our utmost concern.

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 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 the Parish Secretary at (248) 682-0920. We welcome you to our parish family!



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OUR PARISH STEWARDSHIP

January 6/7, 2024

Offertory: \$11,188
Online Giving: \$5,547
Total: \$16,735

Weekly Budget: \$13,530

YTD Budgeted: \$348,090
YTD Actual: \$377,632
Over the Budget: \$29,542

SVDP: \$74
Christmas: \$7,585
Rel. Retirement: \$25

Christmas Budgeted: \$80,000
Christmas Actual: 64,390
Under Budget: \$(15,610)



Fr. Peterman's Ponderings

Hello Everyone!

I am so excited to be here at Our Lady of Refuge with all of you. This first week has been busy as I get settled and find my way around the parish. But you all have been so welcoming to me; making the transition much easier. For that I am very grateful. I don't know how long I will be assigned here at Our Lady of Refuge. Please know, however, that I am blessed to serve God and you at this wonderful parish.

I grew up in the Livonia/Westland area and attended public schools. The Lord put the thought of becoming a priest on my heart when I was about 10 years old. But it would be years after that when I would finally give it serious thought. I went to Michigan State University to study physics and compete as a pole vaulter on the track and field team. I have many fond memories from those four years on the banks of the Red Cedar. But it was in college that I began to learn about our Catholic faith and develop my relationship with Jesus. The Lord wasted no time in reminding me of the calling he gave to me all those years before. After a lot of internal struggle, prayer, and the counsel of good friends and priests, I made the decision to enter the seminary.

I was ordained on June 8, 2019 and then assigned to serve at Our Lady of Sorrows parish in Farmington. It was a blessing to be there for four and a half years. Just before Christmas, I got the call that I was being assigned to serve as a priest here at Refuge. It was a surprise, that's for sure, but a good one. Changes are always difficult. I pray that for all of us this change will be positive and the Lord will use me to lead us all closer to Himself.

Please introduce yourself to me! I look forward to getting to know you and serving the Lord under the patronage of Our Lady of Refuge.

God Bless,
Fr. Peterman

School Spotlight

As we look ahead in preparation, it would be a wonderful opportunity to take note of our school Open House scheduled for Sunday, January 28th from 10:00 AM -1:00 PM. We've been working on some new and exciting ideas to strengthen our opportunities to provide a Catholic education to our children. We'd love for you to consider attending to tour the school and invite prospective students to visit as well and see all that we have to offer! Thank you always for your continued support.

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Pantry Needs This Week

Did you notice all of the wonderful giving
 we did during the Advent season?
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 Tuna
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 Spaghetti Sauce and Pasta
 Meal in a Can (Spaghettios, Chili,
 Dinty More Beef Stew etc.)

Thank You!

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 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

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Holy! Holy! Holy!

I fell in love with the Catholic Church when I was 15 years old. My father was stationed at Hickam Air Force Base. Having been raised by my grandparents who were elders in their church attending church on Sunday was a must! So, I went seeking a place to worship. As I was on foot, God provided me with a Catholic Church very close to our housing. I remember crossing the threshold of this extraordinary space. I, of course, did not know why I was overwhelmed with the emotions of wonder and awe but today I do. God was there!!

In the past weeks I have been sharing with you the carvings on the door of our tabernacle. The words written on our tabernacle explain exactly the answer to my wonder and awe. Scrolling across the top are the words, Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus. These mean Holy, Holy, Holy. Even more significant is the word, SALVS! It means Salvation. So, it literally means too that our Salvation is present here in the very Body and Blood of Christ!! What is causing us to not fall on our faces as we cross that threshold?



Thank you, Jesus, for your Presence and Salvation!

EVANGELIZATION

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Hello Everyone!

This week's gospel invites us to reflect on the profound encounter of John and Andrew when they said "Yes" to Jesus! As John the Baptist points to Jesus, proclaiming Him as the Lamb of God, John and Andrew follow Jesus.

This pivotal moment marks the beginning of their transformative journey with Jesus. In response to Jesus' question about what they seek, they express a profound desire to know Him better. Jesus, in turn, extends an invitation that transcends a physical location and calls them to abide with Him in a deeper, more spiritual sense.

As we reflect on this scripture, we are reminded how our own journey often begins with a simple "Yes" to a deeper and more profound encounter with Christ. Like Andrew and John, we are called to respond to the voice of the Lord and acknowledge His calling for each of us.

This Gospel passage challenges us to reflect on our own response to Jesus. Are we actively seeking to know Him more deeply? Are we putting ourselves in a position to hear His invitation through regular prayer and participation in the Sacraments? Are we saying "Yes" to God's calling for us? This passage is challenging us to respond to Christ's call to lead us into a more intimate relationship with Him. God bless!

LITURGICAL MUSIC

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Father Gerry Cupple

April 29, 1955 – December 28, 2023



Some of you might remember Fr. Gerry Cupple. As a seminarian, he was a fixture at Our Lady of Refuge in the late 70's helping with the Refuge youth groups: Yonge Street People and George Group. I met Gerry in 1975 when I was one of the night duty phone attendants at the rectory and he had just graduated from high school. Gerry and I became good friends through the Refuge youth group years. After he was ordained in 1985, we stayed in touch and did many weddings together. He baptized our daughter, Emily.

As the years flew by we lost touch, but we happened to reconnect last year for a lunch. Fr. Gerry was a great priest; he was very capable but humble. He did not care about recognition, but rather was more concerned about hearing how you were doing. He would rather serve than be served.

He was closing in on retirement and was excited to move to Hawaii. I am sorry he didn't make it there and that I didn't spend more time with him. It is a reminder to me to make that phone call rather than just think about making it. A vocation can be a solitary life – especially in retirement. If you know of a priest, brother or sister from years past, I can assure you they would be overjoyed to hear from you. To honor Fr. Gerry, there are a couple calls I am actually going to make instead of just thinking about it. Are there any priest or religious friends that would like to hear from you? You would honor Fr. Gerry Cupple by making that call.

We are having a **Choir Open House this Wednesday January 17 at 7:00 PM**. Join us for a meet and greet and a sample rehearsal. We'll have snacks and conversation and then we'll sing. Come and see if this might be the very thing you've been looking for in the new year – no obligation. Strike a blow for the Kingdom and stop by the church this Wednesday January 17 at 7 PM!

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"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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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
Liam Lynch	Army
Gunnar Ottman	National Guard

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- B. As the contact for the service member (not for publication) please provide:
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 - 2 Your phone number or e-mail address
 - 3 A current address for the service member.



Pray for Our Seminarians



*Deacon Nicholas
Brown
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MASS INTENTIONS

If you have a desire to remember someone who has passed away or is living and just in need of some extra prayers, Mass Intentions are available every day for our morning weekday Masses and on the weekends, three names will be said at each Mass on Sat/Sun, one name said during the weekdays. You are welcome to stop by the Parish Office or call the Parish Office and schedule a Mass intention during normal business hours 9am until 3pm, Monday through Thursday. Mass cards are available to let the families know they are being thought of and prayed for at Mass.

WHEN YOU PRAY

A CLEAR PATH TO A DEEPER RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

You know prayer is important but still find it challenging. Perhaps it's hard to find time, or you're unsure what to do when you pray. Or maybe you feel discouraged by your weaknesses and your inability to overcome them.

If you have any of these feelings, you are not alone. Many of the saints struggled in prayer. They were like us. But each time they fell, they got up again and learned to rely more on God's grace.

What God did in the lives of countless saints, he wants to do in the lives of ordinary people like us. And that's what this study is about: the journey of prayer God wants to take us on.



Dates: Tuesdays: February 13—March 26, 2024

Time: 9:15am (Breakfast) - 11am

Place: OLR Social Hall—3750 Commerce Rd, Orchard Lake

For more information go to:

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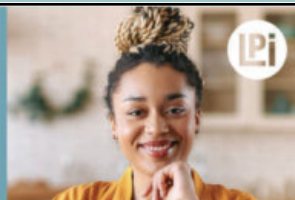
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