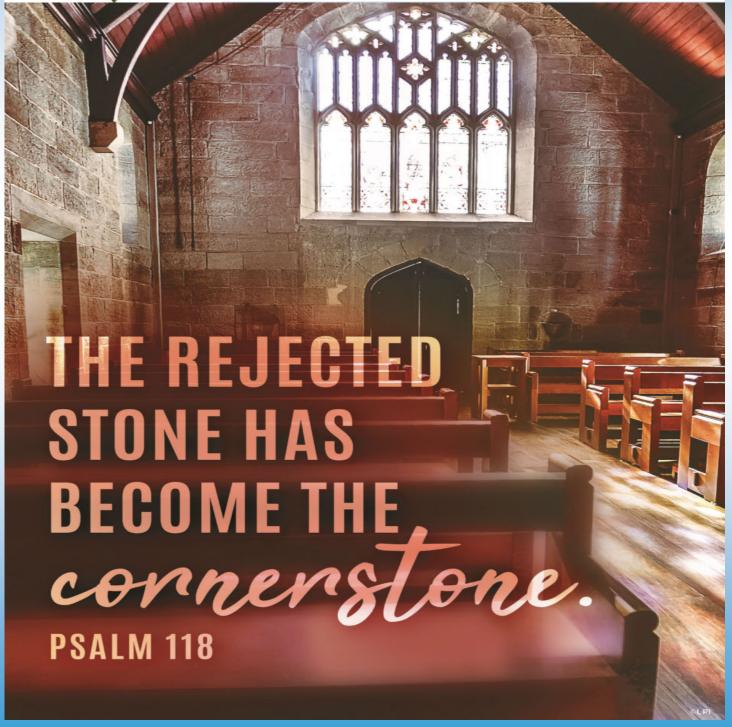


OUR LADY OF REFUGE, Orchard Lake MI

Today is the Fourth Sunday of Easter April 21st, 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.



OLR MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES

Readings for the week of April 21, 2024

Sunday 4/21: Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118: 1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 (22)/Jn 3:1-2/Jn

10:11-18

Monday 4/22: Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/Jn 10:1-10

Tuesday 4/23: Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 10:22-30

Wed 4/24: Acts 12:24—13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8/Jn 12:44-50

Thursday 4/25: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20

Friday 4/26: Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/Jn 14:1-6

Saturday 4/27: Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 14:7-14

Sunday 4/28: Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 (26a)/1 Jn 3:18

-24/Jn 15:1-8

Observances for the week of April 21, 2024

Sunday: 4th Sunday of Easter; World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Monday: Earth Day

Tuesday: St. George, Martyr; St. Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr

PRIEST SCHEDULE

Mon 4/22: 8:15am (Fr. Peterman)

Tues 4/23: 8:15am (Fr. Peterman)

Wed 4/24: 8:15am (Fr. Peterman)

Fri 4/26: 8:15am (Fr. Peterman)

Sat 4/27: 5:00pm (Fr. Peterman)

Sun 4/28: 9:30am (Fr. Peterman)

11:30am (Fr. Peterman)

Mon 4/29: 8:15am (Fr. Peterman)

Tues 4/30: 8:15am (Fr. Peterman)

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday at 3:30pm

INTENTIONS

Monday 4/22 - Pat Gough (Deceased) requested by Dar Panian

Tuesday 4/23 - Colin Zerki (Deceased) requested by Zerki family

Wednesday 4/24 - Betty Williams - McEndarffer (Deceased) requested by Rita Competti

Friday 4/26 - Col. John W. Burt (Deceased) requested by Juliet C. Najor

Saturday 4/27 - Fawzi Shaya (Deceased) requested by the Shaya family Our Lady of Refuge Parishioners

Sunday 4/28 - (9:30) Jack Callahan (Deceased) requested by John Currell
Deceased members of the Harper/Kuhnmuehch families
Christopher Suciu (Deceased) requested by OLR Choir

(11:30) Pam Hussey (Deceased) requested by Dar Panian Aileen Schafer (Deceased) requested by Oscar & Jan Mittelstaedt

Monday 4/29 - Mary Ellen Doman requested by The Morning Mass Group

Tuesday 4/30 - Mary Ellen Doman requested by the Bosco family

LECTOR SCHEDULE

Saturday 4/27:

L. Blanek P. Thibideau

Sunday 4/28:

(9:30am)

T. Klimmek V. Garmo

v. Garino

(11:30am)

G. Klimmek

T. Klimmek

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Fr. Derik Peterman

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 vou 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

April 13 & 14, 2024

Offertory: \$9,420 Online Giving: \$2,478 **Total: \$16,947** Weekly Budget: \$11,898

YTD Budgeted: \$537,510 YTD Actual: \$562,810 **Over Budget: \$25,300**

FR. PETERMAN'S PONDERINGS

Father Derik Peterman priest@olorcc.org 248.682.0920

A while ago now, I had the lights on the confessional fixed. The wiring was fine, but the bulbs needed to be updated and replaced. These lights are helpful for those in the church during the time confessions are being heard. The green light is turned on when the priest is in the confessional. Essentially, it means, "The doctor is in." (I am chuckling as I write this because I am reminded of Norm Macdonald's moth joke!) The red light is turned on when the priest is hearing a person's confession. It means "Stop," and wait for your turn. It is turned off after the priest is done giving a person absolution. I will admit that sometimes I forget to turn on the red light in the first place. But when the door is closed, you can assume that someone else is in there.

Every year, the parishes in the Archdiocese of Detroit (AOD) participate in the Catholic Services Appeal (CSA). This program is a way to financially support the services that are offered in the AOD to help spread the Gospel. Any money raised over a parish's CSA goal go directly back to that parish. Last year, these funds were designated to renovate our social hall. That project was put on hold with all of the changes here at Refuge. I am happy to say that we are going to be moving forward with that project. Hopefully soon you will see a face-lift in the social hall and its bathrooms.

Regarding this year's CSA, it was decided among the staff that the funds raised over our target would go to purchasing new signage for our parish campus. The installation of these signs would also involve some landscaping. Our buildings are on different roads with different address; and I believe that this project will help visitors navigate our campus and make it more welcoming. It will also provide an opportunity to add some beauty to our already beautiful grounds. We are still working out the details. Keep posted for more information!

Finally, I want to share a beautiful prayer I recently came across. It is a "Prayer to Forgive Others" and I hope we can all use it to grow in spiritual freedom:

Heavenly Father, you are holy and righteous. You are perfect in justice. I confess that I have not forgiven as you have commanded me to. Through Jesus Christ, I now forgive: _____(list names and what they did to you). I confess my pride and judgement of those people. Please forgive me, Lord, and cleanse me from my sin. Please help me to thoroughly entrust these people and the wrongs they caused me into your hands. I pray that your will be done in my life and in their lives. Please help me to longer think on those wrongs, but instead to focus my thoughts on you. I invite you, Lord, into any painful memories I have concerning what was done. Please heal any wounds I received and help me to have your perspective on what happened. Thank you, Father. In the name of Jesus Christ, I pray, Amen.

CHRISTIAN SERVICE

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Many prayers for
The Blanek Family on the loss
of Lisa Marie's father
Col. John Burt.
A lovely prayer service and
luncheon were held on Friday
April 5th.

Thank you to the many parishioners who donated time, talent and love to make the luncheon special.

Especially: Karen Semaan, Jan Mittelstaedt, and Dianne Kreucher.

Set up, Servers, and cleanup: Bronía Maiorano, Stephanie Riney, Ruth Speth, Lily Javier, Teresa Alzate, Janet Boyk, Christine Devine. Food donations: Lily Javier & Teresa Alzate. Corey McIsaac, Linda Godell, Marilyn Schafer, Pat Minor, Ruth Speth, Ann Bashi, Johanna Harper, Hanna ShinaJanet Boyk, Carolyn DiCiuccio, Karen Semaan.

Eternal rest grant unto John, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and the souls of the faithfully departed rest in peace.





Pantry Needs:

Pasta Sauce
Jelly
Cereal
Canned Fruit,
Canned Spinach,
Boxed potatoes
Oatmeal Packets,
Baked Beans,
Meal in a Can ie: (SpaghettiOs,
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Body Wash for men & women
Toothpaste

If you'd like to donate dairy or produce items you can do so by donating <u>Aldi gift cards</u>. Which you can deposit in the blue Christian Service Collection box located in the gathering space.

Angel's Place Meals

Be an Angel and make a meal for the men at Maxwell home. Details and Sign up at https:// www.signupgenius.com/ go/70aod49a8ab2baaf58-angels#/ -

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WE ARE Pro-Life, Pro-Woman, Pro-Family

Do you have a passion for protecting the Unborn, the women who bore them & their families? Join us for a monthly gathering the first Tuesday of each month in the parish office @ 6:30 p.m.



Come join parishioners from our Family of Parishes to pray in front of the abortion clinic in West Bloomfield.

We will be praying the rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet on Wednesdays during Lent from 5:30-6:30 p.m. The address is 6765 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield. Park in the Stage Deli parking lot.

EVANGELIZATION

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR INDULGENCES

We just got exciting news from the Vatican: several key moments in the National Eucharistic Revival are now opportunities to gain a plenary indulence!

Anyone who participates in the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage or attends the 10th National Eucharistic Congress will be granted this special remittance of temporal punishment associated with confessed sins (under the usual conditions of an indulgence). That means every stop along the nationwide Pilgrimage route and the Congress event itself are now even greater opportunities for grace than they were before!

If you have not yet registered for either of these incredible milestones in the Revival, now is the time.

Read the full press release to find out more about these special indulgences, the Apostolic Blessing that will be imparted at the Congress, and how these graces will flow into the Year of Mission.





LITURGICAL MUSIC Tim Smith tim@timothyrsmith.com 248.821.8443

You may recall last year we purchased a used Schimmel baby grand for the church. Nearly a year later our Boston baby grand sits alone in the social hall, and is not being used much at all. This is still a fine piano and it deserves a home and an owner who will play it and take care of it. Therefore we have decided to sell it.

At a retail store this Boston piano would sell for over \$12,000, but wholesale price is just above \$5,500, which is what we are asking. This piano has contributed to a rich history of thousands of liturgies and the prayers of our parish. Contact me anytime if you are interested in this piano.

I would add that there is a plaque in the social thanking all the donors who contributed to the purchase of the Boston piano back in the mid-90's. On behalf of Our Lady of Refuge, I want to thank those families for their generous contribution those thirty years ago. Your investment has paid untold dividends and the tradition that is carried on now stands on the shoulders of that beautiful Boston piano.

On this Good Shepherd Sunday, today's Responsorial Psalm is another reference of Psalm 118, from Easter Sunday. The refrain is different: **The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.**

You can view a performance of this Psalm by scanning this QR Code.



Psalm 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29

R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his mercy endures forever. It is better to take refuge in the LORD than to trust in man. It is better to take refuge in the LORD than to trust in princes.

R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

I will give thanks to you, for you have answered me and have been my savior.

The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

By the LORD has this been done; it is wonderful in our eyes.

R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD; we bless you from the house of the LORD.

I will give thanks to you, for you have answered me and have been my savior.

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his kindness endures forever.









Expectations!

"Expectations are resentments under construction," wrote Bay Area. I read this and related immediately. I began to "Hope" as I felt it was a more divine request. Father Peterman in his homily this past weekend share with us that we should be expectant regarding our requests and meetings with Jesus. This I understand! Jesus is truly Divine and I can expect in faith everything! Do I? I would like to believe that I do expect to be amazed and blessed. I would like to believe that He gives me everything I need when challenges are presented to me. "Jesus, I trust in You, take care of everything."

The photo here is of Father Peterman preparing to light our Easter Candle from the Easter Fire created during our Easter Vigil. That Light is present during the entire Easter Season, Baptisms, and Funerals. He is lighting the way for us to enter into His life, death and resurrection. Lord, please ignite the fire within me that You want to be seen by those You expect me to serve and to receive from. Christ is my Light!



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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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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Happy Easter! Christ is risen, alleluia! He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Although Easter Sunday was March 31st, we are still celebrating the Easter season until May 19th, the Feast of Pentecost. Keep greeting each other with Easter joy.

This is also a gentle reminder that Catholics are required to receive communion once a year during the Easter season. Please go to confession before you receive communion. Receiving communion is a different experience when you've recently been to confession.

Jesus' resurrection is a pivotal moment in history and I think it's wonderful to celebrate it for so long! It is also a good time to include other celebrations: Confirmation and First Communion masses are typically scheduled during the Easter season, but May is also the month of Mary and the feast of the Ascension is celebrated as well.

There are also secular holidays that regularly occur during the Easter season to add to our celebration. Mother's day, Memorial Day, Cinco de Mayo, and some early high school or college graduations. We were even lucky enough this year that the unofficial start of spring, the Tigers' home opener, was during Easter Week.

Congratulations to our 9 Confirmandi: William Alban, Elizabeth Brandon, Christian Karam, Grace McElyea, Mary McIsaac, Sophia Noble, Bailey Roberts, Brayden Rohlman, and Jared Smith. They were confirmed yesterday, April 20, at Prince of Peace Catholic Church in West Bloomfield by Bishop Jeffrey Monforton.

First Communion Masses will be celebrated on May 4th. 10AM will be for OLR school students and 1PM will be for parish students who attend other schools.

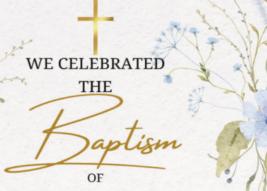
Register for 2024 Vacation Bible School! This year's theme is Created by God: Built for a Purpose



Vacation Bible school will run from 9am until noon on June 25, 26, and 27. Children from 4-10 years old are invited to attend. 7th grade and older children can volunteer and earn service hours. Registration forms are on the parish website and a QR is in this bulletin.



Acts 2:1 When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place.



Matthew Grayson **Duenas**

CHILD OF ALEXANDER & RACHEL (MILKOWSKI) DUENAS

SUNDAY APRIL 2024





The Knights of Columbus are hosting a baby bottle drive to benefit Mary's Mantle!

Here's how it works:

1.Pick up a bottle in the gathering space the first weekend in May and fill it with coins, cash or a check

(Made out to Mary's Mantle).

2.Pray for expecting parents that they choose life for their child.2a. Bonus: learn about pregnancy resources in our area.

3.Return the bottle on the weekend of May 18/19 th.







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