

### OUR LADY OF REFUGE, Orchard Lake MI

Today is the Sixth Sunday of Easter May 5th, 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



### OLR MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

### WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES

### Readings for the week of May 5, 2024

Sunday: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 (see 2b)/

1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17

Monday: Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/

Jn 15:26—16:4a

Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Jn 16:5-11 Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/

Jn 16:12-15

Thursday: Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 16:16-20

Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 (6)/Eph 1:17-23

or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-2

Friday: Acts 18:9-18/Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 16:20-23 Saturday: Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10/Jn 16:23b-28

Next Sunday: Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 (6)/Eph 1:17-23

or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20

Seventh Sunday of Easter: Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26/ Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20 (19a)/1 Jn 4:11-16/Jn 17:11b-19

#### Observances for the week of May 5, 2024

Sunday: 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

Thursday: The Ascension of the Lord (holy day of obligation in some

U.S. dioceses)

Friday: St. John of Avila, Priest and Doctor of the Church;

St. Damien de Veuster, Priest

Next Sunday: The Ascension of the Lord; 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter;

World Communications Day;

Mother's Day

### PRIEST SCHEDULE

Mon 5/6: 8:15am (Fr. Peterman)

Tues 5/7: 8:15am (Fr. Arwady)

Wed 5/8: 8:15am (Msgr. Hogan)

Fri 5/10: 8:15am (Fr. Peterman)

Sat 5/11: 5:00pm (Fr. Peterman)

Sun 5/12: 9:30am (Fr. Peterman)

11:30am (Fr. Peterman)

Mon 5/13: 8:15am (Fr. Witek)

Tues 5/14: 8:15am (Msgr. Hogan)

#### **CONFESSIONS:**

Saturday at 3:30pm

#### **INTENTIONS**

Monday 5/6 Richard Watson (Deceased) requested by the Hall Family

Tuesday 5/7 George Suciu (Deceased) requested by Nick Suciu, Jr.

Wednesday 5/8 Christopher John Suciu (Deceased) requested by Nick Suciu, Jr.

Royce Villa (Deceased) requested by the Villa Family

Friday 5/10 Mary C. Currell (Deceased) requested by John Currell

Saturday 5/11 Fawzi Shaya (Deceased) requested the Shaya Family

Our Lady of Refuge Parishioners

Sunday 5/12 (9:30) Louise Kahler (Deceased) requested by the Paul Kahler Family

Chris Suciu (Deceased) requested by the Suciu Family Leeann Whalen (Intentions) requested by OLR Choir

(11:30) Betty & Andy Majercik (Deceased) requested by Majercik Family

Monday 5/13 Donald Hall (Intentions) requested by Joan Hall

Tuesday 5/14 Michelle Stawicki (Intentions) requested by her Sisters

### LECTOR SCHEDULE

### Saturday 5/11:

C. McIsaac E. Escobedo

### **Sunday 5/12:**

(9:30am) Y. Demo

B. Harper

(11:30am)

R. George

G. Ansara

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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 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**

April 27 & 28, 2024

Offertory: \$7,633 Online Giving: \$2,037 Total: \$9,670 Weekly Budget: \$13,530 Weekly Shortage: \$3,860

YTD Budgeted: \$564,570 YTD Actual: \$583,555 Over Budget: \$18,985

**SVDP:** \$50

### FR. PETERMAN'S PONDERINGS

Father Derik Peterman priest@olorcc.org 248.682.0920

Hello everyone! This week I have a few calendar-related notes to share with you.

The month of May is dedicated the Blessed Virgin Mary. It used to be that the feast of the Queenship of Mary was celebrated in May. When Pope Pius XII established this feast, he wrote, "Let all Christians, therefore, glory in being subjects of the Virgin Mother of God, who, while wielding royal power, is on fire with a mother's love." (Ad Caeli Reginam, 43) Although this feast was later moved to August, we still honor Mary as our queen in the month of May by crowning statues of her. The children in our school celebrated a May Crowning on May 1<sup>st</sup>, crowning the statue outside the school nearby Commerce Road. We will also have a statue crowned in the sanctuary of the church throughout this month. Let us all continue to subject ourselves to Mary's powerful intercession by praying the rosary every day, especially during the month of May!

On Sunday, May 19, our parish will be hosting a volunteer fair in the social hall. Please consider sharing your gifts with our parish by helping in some area of ministry. After the Sunday Masses on the 19<sup>th</sup>, come by to check out what opportunities we have to get involved!

On the weekend of June 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>, the Church celebrates the great Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, or Corpus Christi. To celebrate this feast, we will be doing a Eucharistic procession. I am PUMPED for this! The 9:30 am Mass on Sunday, June 2 will be concluded with a procession with our Eucharistic Lord.

On Sunday, June 16, at the 9:30 am Mass, we will be honoring all high school and college graduates. If you or your son or daughter has graduated this year, please make sure to attend this Mass. We will thank God for His blessings upon the graduates and honor them for their achievement. Please RSVP with the name of your graduate to Lisa Marie Blanek at lblanek@olorcc.org.

The following weekend, June 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>, will be my last weekend here at Our Lady of Refuge. There will be a small reception in the social hall immediately following each of the weekend Masses.

Also at the end of June, our Coordinator of Christian Service, Suzanne Barcewicz, will be retiring. Many of you know Suzanne from all that she has done for our parish. I am especially thankful for her work in building up our food pantry. This ministry has served many people in our community by showing them true Christian charity. Please join me in thanking Suzanne for her many years of devoted service and wishing her a well-deserved retirement!

That's all for now! Have a great week, and may God bless you.

### CHRISTIAN SERVICE

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### Pantry Needs

Many people who receive food stamps run out of them by the end of the month. We are a great supplemental resource for them.

Food stamps will only allow you to buy food. Not other essentials like the list below. We pass out these items every 8 weeks.

Please consider donating some of these greatly needed and appreci-

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Toothpaste
Pasta Sauce,
Jelly
Cereal
Canned Fruit,
Canned Spinach,
Boxed Potatoes
Oatmeal Packets,
Baked Beans,
Meal in a Can ie: (Spagettios,
Dinty Moore Stew)

\*\*\*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. \*\*\* A huge thank you to the anonymous donor of the Aldi \$50 gift card, your generosity is much appreciated!

### Angel's Place Meals

Be an Angel and make a meal for the men at Maxwell home.

Details and Sign up at <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0d49a8ab2baaf58-angels#/-">https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0d49a8ab2baaf58-angels#/-</a>

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### Thanks Mom for Life

On Mother's Day weekend we will be offering our mothers, grandmothers, stepmothers, or Godmothers a lovely carnation. Donations will be accepted and given to Right to Life Lifespan to continue the great work that they do to protect the unborn.

### We are Pro-Lífe, Pro- Woman, Pro- Famíly

Do you have a passion for protecting the Unborn, the women who bore them & their families?

Join us for a monthly gathering the <u>first Tuesday of each</u> month in the parish office @ 6:30 p.m.



Come join parishioners to pray in front of the "womens clinic" in West Bloomfield.

The address is 6765 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield. Park in the Stage Deli parking lot.

We will be praying the rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet on the first Saturday of every month.



### EVANGELIZATION

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## Quizzo!

The Our Lady of Refuge Trivia night was a huge success! Almost 80 people gathered to eat, laugh, and have a great time together as a community on Saturday April, 27th. There were so many people who provided their gifts and talents to help make this a great time, so thank you all very much. I would like to especially thank Danielle and Matt Shiels who led this event; you both were awesome! This is the first of many events the Community Engagement Team will host this year. Keep an eye on the bulletin for more fun and exciting events in the near future!







# LITURGICAL MUSIC Tim Smith tim@timothyrsmith.com 248.821.8443

This weekend we sing Psalm 98, which is best known for the phrase, *Sing a new song to the Lord.* Forty years ago, as a young composer I remember thinking, "Yes, let's sing a **new** song instead of these old songs." Now that many of my songs are forty years old, I have reconsidered the definition of **new** song. Maybe it's singer of the song that is renewed and not the song itself. The breath of the Lord gives us life and we are renewed with each breath we take. So each time we sing a song to the Lord, we are renewed by using the Holy Spirit's life-giving breath to sing praise to God. Forty years later, that's my **new story** and I'm sticking to it.

This is also a foreshadowing of the approaching Pentecost Psalm (Lord send out your spirit and renew the face of the earth), which also references the life-giving breath of the Holy Spirit.

Another favorite line of this Psalm that hits home for me these days: *He has remembered his kindness and his faithfulness toward the house of Israel.* 

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



#### Psalm 98:1, 2-3, 3-4

R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power. Sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done wondrous deeds;

His right hand has won victory for him, his holy arm.

### R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

The LORD has made his salvation known: in the sight of the nations he has revealed his justice. He has remembered his kindness and his faithfulness toward the house of Israel.

#### R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation by our God. Sing joyfully to the LORD, all you lands; break into song; sing praise.

R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Reminder: Our six foot Boston baby grand piano is for sale for \$5,000. Contact me anytime if you are interested.



WORSHIP

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Born to Eternal Life Sunday, April 21, 2024 Judith (Judy) Ann LaFata

Loving wife of Joseph LaFata Loving mother of James LaFata. Her Funeral Mass was held on Saturday, April 27th

> Mass Celebrated by: Rev. Derik Peterman

Our Parish family extends its heartfelt sympathy and prayers to her family and friends.

### May Crowning



### 2nd Grade



### 8th Grade

#### **Rosaries and Celebrations!**

Throughout the month of May we celebrate our beautiful Mother Mary! Please come and join us in our Marian Garden located by the church bell tower at 6:30 pm on Monday evenings. On Memorial Day we will begin the morning with Mass at 9 am and follow it up with the Patriotic Rosary. This Rosary is lead by our own Veterans and First Responders – thank you for your service!

### **Loving by Serving**

Our Commissions and Committees are looking for additional volunteers. We need your help to enhance our Sunday experience and our evangelization to those in our parish home and community at large. We will have sign-up sheets and some of our commission volunteers and leadership available after all the Masses on May 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> in the Social Hall. Our Knights of Columbus will be generously offering Coffee and Donuts too!



### 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.

Our parish 2nd grade students have, for the first time in their lives, fulfilled this requirement at Masses on May 4th.

#### The following school students received their First Communion:

Chance Acho, Cristiano Acho, Andrew Ansara, Mia Aziz, Isaac Bakkal, River Barbat, Peyton Castiglione, Brooklyn Dabish, Kenzie Delly, Amelia Farida, Oliver Farida, Weston George, Kennedy Gergis, Emma Hanna, Alex Harb, Gia Hingorani, Lila Hoffman, Sophia Jarbou, Faith Kado, Landon Kado, Reign Kakos, Ava Kasgorgis, Nixon Kassab, Anna Kathawa, Reagan Kizi, Roman Konja, Dominic Koza, Connor Kuza, Lia Lang, Roman Manju, Ace Pfeifle, Landry Rivet, Carson Shounia, Thomas Sitto, Jack Tominna, Anthony Yaldo, Jenna Yousif, Sophia Zara, and Valencia Zoma.

#### The following parish students received their First Communion:

Ameilia Alban, Avery Bagnasco, Lucas Bentley, Ava Burnett, Anna Daiza, William Farms, Santino Garrett, Rosemary Najor, Taavi Queamente, Ada Shiels, Cole Szkrybalo and Lina Waack.

This is a joyous occasion in their lives and it is only appropriate that we celebrate it during the Easter season! One of the students recently asked me about making a Second Holy Communion and I gladly replied that while it wouldn't be as big of a ceremony, he could now receive every time he went to church for the rest of his life. I'm not sure if he was relieved or sad that it wouldn't be as celebrated as the first time. It is not any less important than the first time, every time we receive Communion; even once we get old enough that we've lost count. It would be a blessing to know, every time, that it was my 359th Holy Communion or 2002nd Holy Communion! Pray that you never lose - or may regain - the wonder of a child every time you receive our Lord, Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity, under the appearances of bread and wine. Think of the love Jesus has for us to humble himself and come to dwell in us! Never more true is the saying, "you are what you eat" than when we talk of this Blessed Sacrament. May we become ever more like him.

I'm reminded of another story I heard, in a slightly different context, about a little boy who asked about Jesus coming to live in him. The boy asked, "If I'm just a boy, and Jesus was a grown man, and he comes to live inside me, won't I have Jesus sticking out all over?" Out of the mouths of babes... Yes, let it be our hope that we would have Jesus sticking out all over.





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

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### Register for 2024 Vacation Bible School!

Created by God: Built for a Purpose is this year's theme.

Vacation Bible school will run from 9am until noon on June 25, 26, and 27. Children from 4 years old through 5th grade in the fall are invited to attend. 6th grade in the fall and older children can volunteer and earn service hours. Registration will be done online at bit.ly/olrvbs and the QR above.

#### 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

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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