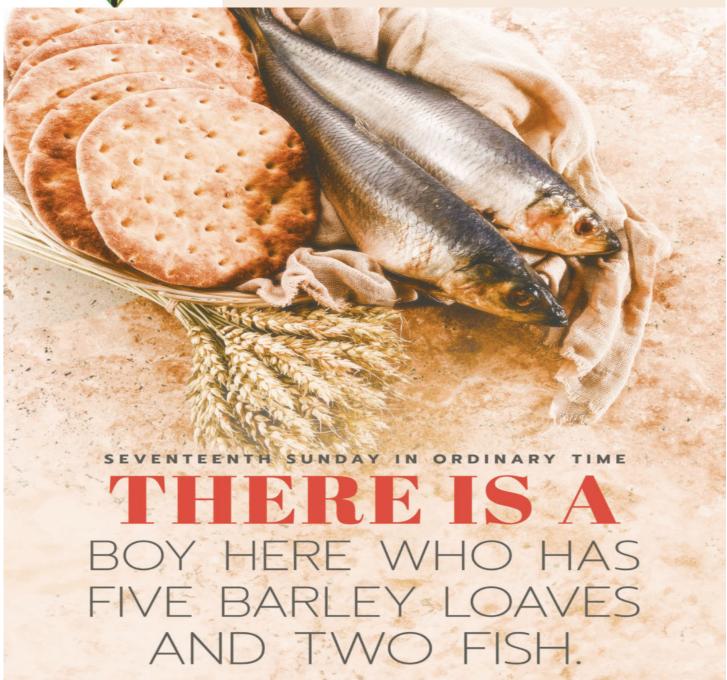


OUR LADY OF REFUGE, Orchard Lake MI

Today is the Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 28, 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.



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OUR LADY OF REFUGE MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES

Readings for the week of July 28, 2024

Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:42-44/Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18 (see 16)/

Eph 4:1-6/Jn 6:1-15

Monday: Jer 13:1-11/Ps 32:18-19, 20, 21/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk

10:38-42

Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21/Ps 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17, 18/Mt 13:44-

46

Thursday: Jer 18:1-6/Ps 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab/Mt 13:47-53

Friday: Jer 26:1-9/Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14/Mt 13:54-58

Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24/Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34/Mt 14:1-12

Next Sunday: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15/Ps 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54 (24b)/Eph

4:17, 20-24/Jn 6:24-35

Observances for the week of July 28, 2024

Sunday: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time Monday: Sts. Martha, Mary and Lazarus

Tuesday: St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Dr. of the Church

Wednesday: St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

Thursday: St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Dr. of the Church Friday: St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop; St. Peter Julian

Eymard, Priest

Sunday: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

PRIEST SCHEDULE

Mon 7/29: 8:15am (Fr. Suresh)

Tues 7/30: 8:15am (Fr. Suresh)

Wed 7/31: 8:15am (Fr. Suresh)

Fri 8/1: 8:15am (Fr. Suresh)

Sat 8/2: 5:00pm (Fr. Suresh)

Sun 8/3: 9:30am (Fr. Suresh)

11:30am (Fr. Suresh)

Mon 8/4: 8:15am (Fr. Suresh)

Tues 8/5: 8:15am (Fr. Suresh)

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday at 3:30pm

INTENTIONS

Monday 7/29 Col. John Burt (Deceased) requested by Edward & Anne

Dziuba

Tuesday 7/30 Lacie Santia (Deceased) requested by Divirgilio Family

Wednesday 7/31 Anne Marie Shewell-Gabow (Deceased) requested by

Shewell Family

Friday 8/2 Judy LaFata (Deceased) requested by the LaFata Family

Saturday 8/3 Fawzi Shaya (Deceased) requested the Shaya Family

Our Lady of Refuge Parishioners

Sunday 8/4 (9:30) John McCarthy (Deceased) requested by Nick Suciu Jr.

Mary Margaret Bosco requested by Bosco Family

(11:30) Thomas R. Wagener (Deceased) requested by Family

Saud Barbat (Deceased) requested by Barbat Family

Monday 8/5 Joan Tomlinson (Deceased) requested by Ellie Simchak

Tuesday 8/6 Judy LaFata (Deceased) requested by Cheryl Burt

LECTOR SCHEDULE

Saturday 8/3:

C. McIsaac M. McIsaac

Sunday 8/4:

(9:30am) A. Cintron

P. Smorra

(11:30am) R. George C. Avar

FR. SURESH, SAC MODERATOR OF THE FAMILY 248-682-0920 EXT. 1110

Dear Our Lady of Refuge Families,

As I came and joined you in our Parish Church, I was thinking about our Patroness and I came across the below article published in the year 1968. I would like to share it with you this week:

The Blessed Virgin is honored under many titles. The reason for this is due to the fact that all her dignity and greatness cannot be expressed or understood in one name. She is like a diamond with many facets. In order to give her due honor, the Church celebrates many of her noble qualities under a separate title and often on a separate feast day.

Our parish is dedicated to the Blessed Mother under the title, "Our Lady of Refuge." What is the meaning of this Title? A refuge is defined first as a shelter or protection from danger or distress; second, that which shelters or protects. The word comes from the Latin -"re," meaning "back," and "fugio," meaning "to flee".

The word "refuge" is frequently connected with ships that are being tossed about in a storm. The Captain immediately directs the course of the ship to a harbor or cove wherein the ship will be sheltered. Such a spot is a refuge.

What is true of ships is also true of our lives. At times people can be buffeted by temptations — by sin — by confused thinking. They need a refuge — a place of calm; they need to get out of the winds of living.

In the Litany of the Blessed Mother one of the invocations is, "Refuge of sinners, pray for us." How wonderful it is to know we always have a Refuge — a Mother — to harbor us during life's storm. "Our Lady, Refuge of Sinners." What a beautiful title! She, who is God's Mother and our Mother, is our Refuge, our Harbor. Her Divine Son seeks the sinners who are lost. His Mother guides them to Him. She stretches our her hand and leads them to an all-forgiving Son Who is God.

We are happy that our parish and parishioners are dedicated to her under this title of "Our Lady, Refuge of Sinners."

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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!



2024 CSA update



OUR PARISH STEWARDSHIP

July 20 & 21, 2024

Offertory: \$8,306 Online Giving: \$3,857 Total: \$12,163

Weekly Budget: \$13,530

YTD Budgeted: \$54,120 YTD Actual: \$47,466

Under Budget: \$(6,654)

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We Believe in the True Presence in the Eucharist!

Eucharistic Miracles are present in our daily lives. When we come and consume our Eucharist, Jesus is literally running through our bodies, minds and most especially our hearts. We become His ambassadors, His disciples.

I have shared some very special Eucharist testimonies with you in past bulletins and my hope is you will share yours. Please take paper from the binder and write out your experiences and insert them back into the binder located on the shelf in the gathering space. If you would prefer, you may send it to me via email and I will print and place in the binder for you to lblanek@olorcc.org.

There will continue to be copies of the <u>Beautiful Eucharist</u> available in a basket in the gathering space. Here you will read about other witnesses of Eucharistic beauty.



Born to Eternal Life Wednesday, July 17, 2024 Marian Irene Soditch

Loving mother of Kathleen Lytle and Milton Soditch Jr. Her Funeral Mass was held on Tuesday, July 23rd

Mass Celebrated by:
Rev. Suresh Rajaian, SAC
Our Parish family extends its heartfelt sympathy



EVANGELIZATION

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My wife Michele and I were blessed to attend the National Eucharistic Congress, from July 17-21, in Indianapolis. 60,000 plus faithful Catholics flooded into downtown Indianapolis to praise, adore, and celebrate the True Presence of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ in the Eucharist! This experience has heightened my respect and devotion to the Blessed Sacrament and given me a renewed excitement about the state of the Catholic Church in the United States! God Bless!

HERE ARE SOME PICTURES FROM THIS HISTORIC EVENT!

Visit: https://www.eucharisticcongress.org



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, on the World War II Museum veranda, following the Procession through downtown Indianapolis. 60,000 Catholics knelt in Adoration at the American Legion Mall.



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The Eucharistic Procession as it made it's way north to the World War II museum.



One of the more powerful moments as all 60,000 attendees knelt in total silence in Adoration of our King.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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Experience is often the best teacher. The more we can experience God's love for us, the more we can return his love by acting in obedience to his will and his plan for our lives which is both better than our own plans and more powerful than we have the ability to alter. This is a good thing, that we are not strong enough to ruin God's plan for our life.

The numbering and division of the commandments can differ. This is widely known as the seventh commandment, but is eighth in this list.

You shall not steal.

Another brief, direct commandment. Generally, we think of this as taking something that is not ours or that we did not purchase. We also tend to think of someone in need or less well-off who wants to improve their quality of life or project a "better" outward appearance. At an individual level, this commandment refers to property or possessions. If you borrow a tool from your neighbor, you should return it. One group of people or a single birthday party should not dominate or control the use of a public park.

However, there is another way of understanding stealing: withholding from someone what they have earned. This, clearly, works in the opposite direction. Someone in power or with authority - someone who is wealthy - keeps what rightfully should be given to another, especially something that person has earned.

The Catholic Church has often entered into the debate between the worker and the owner of the means of production. Among other things, workers are owed a living wage by their dignity as a human person. The work itself, that the workers are asked to do, should also support and promote human life and dignity. Corporations and companies as a whole, or owners and CEOs as individuals, have a moral obligation to act in the best interest of the worker as a priority over the bottom line or the shareholders.

Expanding our view of this commandment, it could include extortion, blackmail, entrapment, embezzlement, tax evasion, and similar acts. Of course, it is easier to think of these illegal actions, and other forms of theft, than it is to think of this commandment as ensuring everyone has what they need. There is an aspect of this commandment that involves respect for your neighbor and care or concern for their wellbeing.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION UPDATES

New registration forms are available on the parish website for religious education classes Monday nights 6 -7:30 starting in September. First Communion and Confirmation registration are also updated. Payment is required at the time of registration. Please remember that in the Archdiocese of Detroit children should have a prior year of instruction for First Communion and Confirmation is a two-year program.

We are also seeking at least two catechists for this year's classes, one in the primary grades and one in middle school. Prayerfully consider this opportunity; we appreciate your time and effort.

CHRISTIAN SERVICE

Pray for the nen 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. P. Nowak Army (Chaplain) Clare Bizer Coast Guard **Eugene Bizer** Coast Guard Christopher Bowman Coast Guard **Daniel Culbertson** Navy Marines Nicholas Harbaugh Air Force

Joshua Hartley





It is wonderful to be able to sponsor the Diocesan Mission Cooperation Appeal in our parish again this year. On Sept. 21-22, 2024, we will be honored to have Sr. Judith Laffey, SC. with us to share the good news of the mission works of the Sisters of Charity of Seton Hill in China, Korea and Ecuador.

The Sisters of Charity of Seton Hill first missioned four sisters from Pennsylvania to Korea in 1960. At that time it

took a month for the sisters to travel by freighter ship to Korea, now it takes only hours by airplane! As our world grows smaller, our hearts grow larger and we reach out to others.

We are pleased to have this opportunity to learn about the missions and to help with our prayers and donations. As the sisters continue to bring the love of the Lord to the people they serve, they need our help—they cannot do it alone! Wherever we may live we are all missionaries and can help in different

Please give from the heart on <u>September 21-22</u>, <u>2024</u> to help spread the Gospel throughout the world and assist the Sisters of Charity of Seton Hill to share God's love with those in need. Your prayers and donations will bring blessings of hope and healing! God Bless You for Your Generosity!

Pantry Needs

The food pantry at Our Lady of Refuge is available every Wednesday to support those in need. Kindly consider contributing some of the essential items listed below. Your donations are truly appreciated.

FOOD ITEMS

Canned Tuna Boxes of cereal Peanut Butter Jelly Pasta Tomato/Pasta Sauce Canned Fruit Cans of Chili, Stew, Spaghettios Ramen Noodles Mustard/Ketchup

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Come join parishioners to pray in front of the "womens clinic" in West Bloomfield @ 10:00am. 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.



The NEC Worship Collective leading us in Worship!



We were not silent as Matt Maher led us in Praise and Worship! This picture helps show the scope and size of this historic event!



How cool is it that we ran into Greg and Meghan Harris at the NEC! What a blessing!!

His Faithfulness Endures Forever

The Eucharistic Revival movement has been an act of faith from the beginning:

- Faith that Jesus desires to reveal himself more deeply in the Eucharist.
- · Faith that he has the power to heal, restore, and unify his people.
- Faith that when the Lord extends an invitation, he will fulfill his promise.
- · Faith that when we prepare tinder, he will set it ablaze with his love.
- · Faith that when we gather in his name, he will show up.

And Jesus did show up! In an unprecedented National Eucharistic
Pilgrimage, Jesus blessed the United States with his Real Presence in the
shape of a cross—forming a giant Benediction over our whole nation. Lives
were changed, hearts were ignited, and this powerful witness of Eucharistic
faith continues to bear fruit in communities across the country.

This past week, 60,000 Catholics gathered in Indianapolis for the first National Eucharistic Congress in nearly a century. Together we anticipated a fresh outpouring of grace and asked Jesus to set us ablaze with Eucharistic love. And we were not disappointed!

God showed up in power: lavishing his love upon his people, pouring out his holy fire, filling us with hope, and igniting a zeal for his Kingdom that has already propelled our Church into a new season of apostolic mission.

Please join us in praising the Lord for his unfailing generosity.

This movement is not over. We can't wait to see what he has in store for the third year of the Revival—our Year of Mission! Stay tuned to find out how you can be a part of Walk With One, the flagship initiative for this next chapter. Come, Holy Spirit!





More than 2000 members of the Clergy were in attendance at the NEC. Here are a few of them during the Eucharistic Procession.

OUR LADY OF REFUGE NEWS AND EVENTS

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ST. FREDERICK'S
SCHOOL
MEMORIAL MASS
AND REUNION
SEPT. 8, 2024

Mass will be celebrated at 10:30 @ St. Damien Parish/St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church.

The annual St. Frederick's Mass and All Class Reunion will take place on Sept. 8. The mass will be celebrated at 10:30 am at St. Damien Parish–St. Vincent de Paul CC. Luncheon will follow at Santia Hall on Cass Lake Rd. in Keego Harbor at 12:30 pm. Tickets are available at Kennedy's Irish Pub on W. Huron St. in Waterford, or contact Pat Scully–Strong @ pmstrongO2@att.net or 248–396–2976 or Bridget Scully at bsscully1948@gmial.com or 859–421–3579. Anyone

who ever attend St. Fred's is welcome!!



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