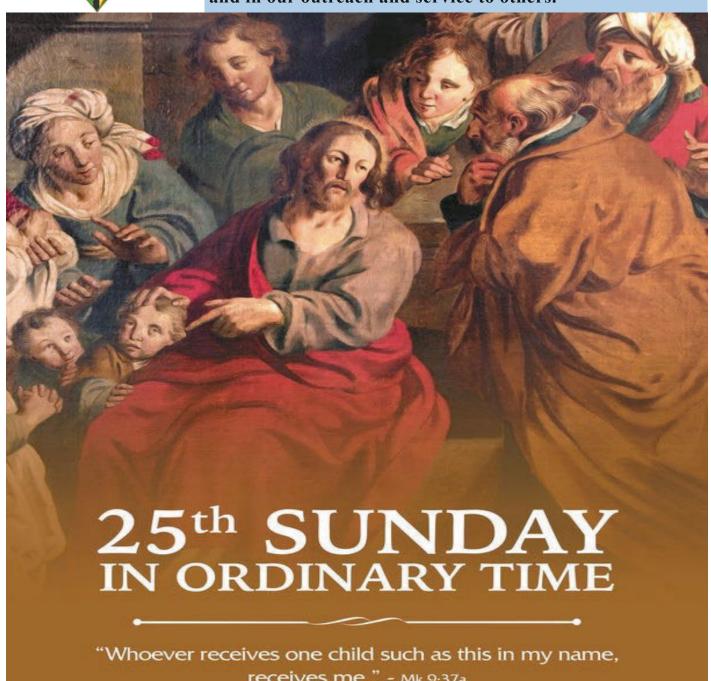


OUR LADY OF REFUGE, Orchard Lake MI

Today is the Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 22, 2024

Mission Statement

Under the protection of Our Lady of Refuge and guided by the Holy Spirit, our parish family is dedicated to the prop-agation and deepening of our faith, rooted in the Sacra-ments, 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.



receives me." - Mk 9:37a

OUR LADY OF REFUGE MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES

Readings for the week of September 22, 2024

Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 (6b)/Jas 3:16—4:3/

Mk 9:30-37

Monday: Prv 3:27-34/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5/Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44/

Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday: Prv 30:5-9/Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163/Lk 9:1-6 Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Eccl 3:1-11/Ps 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4/Lk 9:18-22

Saturday: Eccl 11:9—12:8/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17/

Lk 9:43b-45

Next Sunday: Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 (9a)/Jas 5:1-6/

Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Observances for the week of September 22, 2024

Sunday: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest; National Migration Week

Thursday: Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs

Friday: St. Vincent de Paul, Priest

Saturday: St. Wenceslaus, Martyr; St. Lawrence Ruiz and

Companions, Martyrs

Sunday: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Priesthood Sunday

PRIEST SCHEDULE

Mon 9/23: 8:15am (Fr. Witek)

Tue 9/24: 8:15am (Fr. Witek)

Wed 9/25: 8:15am (Fr. Ptak)

Fri 9/27: 8:15am (Fr. Witek)

Sat 9/28: 5:00pm (Fr. Suresh)

Sun 9/29: 9:30am (Fr. Suresh)

11:30am (Fr. Suresh)

Mon 9/30: 8:15am (Fr. Suresh)

Tue 10/1: 8:15am (Fr. Suresh)

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday at 3:30pm

INTENTIONS

Monday 9/23 David Jacobs (+) requested by Janet Boyk

Tuesday 9/24 Fr. Ron Richards (Intentions) requested by John

Currell

Wednesday 9/25 Wayne Madlo (+) requested by Janet Boyk

Friday 9/27 Barbara Summner (+) requested by Connie Bayma

Marian Soditch (+) requested by Connie Bayma

Saturday 9/28 Don & Amy Montgomery (+) requested by Celeste

Montgomery

Sunday 9/29 (9:30) Betty Burt (+) requested by the Blanck family

(11:30) Our Lady of Refuge Parishioners

Monday 9/30 Judy LaFata (+) requested by the LaFata family

Tuesday 10/1 Eileen Moore (+) requested by her family

LECTOR SCHEDULE

Saturday 9/28:

Liz Oras Paula Thibideau

Sunday 9/29:

(9:30am)

Jeff Armitage Cora Armitage

(11:30am)

Gabrielle Ansara Robert Goodman

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

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

A heartfelt thanks to everyone who contributed to making our parish picnic such a wonderful success. Your hard work and dedication were evident in every aspect of the event, from the delicious food and engaging activities to the warm and welcoming atmosphere. It was truly a joy to see our community come together and enjoy a day filled with laughter, fellowship, and shared joy.

A special thank you goes to the Knights of Columbus for manning the grill and our other volunteers who set up, served, and cleaned up; your efforts did not go unnoticed. It was your enthusiasm and commitment that helped make the picnic run seamlessly and allowed everyone to fully enjoy the day. We appreciate your dedication and the generosity of your time and energy.

Sisters of Charity of Seton Hill

Happy Birthday and a warm welcome to Sr. Judith Laffey, SC, who is joining us to share the inspiring work of the Sisters of Charity of Seton Hill. Sr. Judith is here to enlighten us about the mission work of the Sisters in China, Korea, and Ecuador, continuing a legacy of dedication and compassion.

In the words of Elizabeth Ann Seton, "To speak the joy of my soul at the prospect of being asked to assist the poor, visit the sick, comfort the afflicted, clothe little innocents, and teach them to love God there, I must stop." This sentiment perfectly captures the spirit of their mission and the profound joy they find in serving those in need.

The Sisters of Charity of Seton Hill embarked on their first mission to Korea in 1960, sending four sisters from Pennsylvania on a month-long voyage by freighter. Today, thanks to advancements in

travel, the journey takes only hours by airplane. As our world grows smaller, their hearts grow larger, allowing them to extend their reach and impact even further. With a rich and enduring history, the Sisters of Charity of Seton Hill remain steadfast in their commitment to serving God and others, striving to make a positive difference through their diverse ministries and dedicated prayer life.

Hear the Bells Ringing?

Our bells, which had been silent for an extended period, have been beautifully restored and are now ringing once more. We are grateful to once again hear their familiar chimes, welcoming us back into our cherished church. Their melodious tones invite us to gather and celebrate Mass together, enriching our worship experience. Let their joyful peals resound and uplift our spirits as we come together in this sacred space. Hear them ring and share in the celebration!



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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 (Fiscal Year: July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025)

Santambar 14 & 15 2024

September 14 & 15, 2024

Offertory: \$6,681 Online Giving: \$3,683 Total: \$10,364

Weekly Budget: \$13,530

YTD Budgeted: \$162,360 YTD Actual: \$132,878

Under Budget: (\$29,482)

WORSHIP

LISA MARIE BLANEK 248-682-0920 EXT. 1114 LBLANEK@OLORCC.ORG

We are Celebrating Our Lady of Fatima

Throughout the month of October, we will celebrate Our Lady of Fatima. The Javier family has generously loaned us their beautiful statue that will be placed in front of the ambo for the month. We will also pray the rosary on Monday evenings in our Marian Garden found near our bell tower. The rosary will begin at 6:30 pm. Please bring a lawn chair for your comfort. Ave!



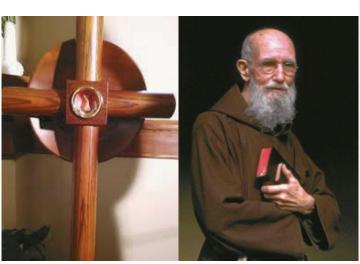
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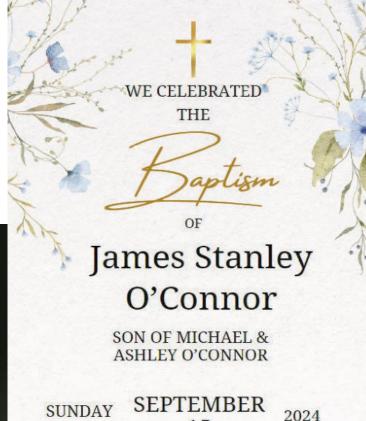
You are invited to join in praying the Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet after daily Mass. On Fridays, the Holy Hour prayers are offered as well.



Our Lady of Refuge Hosting Relic of Blessed Fr. Solanus Casey

We will be hosting the relic of Blessed Fr. Solanus Casey on October 4th. It will be displayed for veneration in our sanctuary from 8:00am until 8:00pm. This is the first Friday of the month and the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi. We will have more details for you in upcoming bulletins and on our website.





LITURGICAL MUSIC

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The parish is selling a beautiful six-foot Boston baby grand piano for \$3,500. At a retail store this piano would sell for over \$11,000, and wholesale price is just above \$5,500. This piano has contributed to a rich history of thousands of liturgies and the prayers of our parish. Contact Tim Smith anytime if you are interested.





Here is the QR code to audio of this Sunday's responsorial Psalm:

Psalm 54:3-4, 5, 6 and 8 R. The Lord upholds my life.

O God, by your name save me, and by your might defend my cause. O God, hear my prayer;

hearken to the words of my mouth.

R. The Lord upholds my life.

For the haughty men have risen up against me, the ruthless seek my life; they set not God before their eyes.

R. The Lord upholds my life.

Behold, God is my helper; the Lord sustains my life. Freely will I offer you sacrifice; I will praise your name, O LORD, for its goodness.

Livestreaming is back! We are again livestreaming 9:30 AM Sunday Mass. Here is QR code for livestream link:





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The more I spend time at OLR, the more I feel a certain pressure. I find myself being pushed, interiorly, to spend some of my working hours in the sanctuary and in front of the tabernacle. I also get a similar "push" about adding more opportunities to the Adult Faith Formation we provide. Instead of jumping into a new program hosted at OLR and led by parish staff, I'm going to use my space to advertise a few events around the Archdiocese or available through livestreaming.

Restored: Reclaiming Your Masculine Identity in Christ

November 14 - 16, 2024

Christ the King Church Ann Arbor, MI Diocese of Lansing https://johnpauliihealingcenter.regfox.com/restored-ann-arbor-mi-1114-1624

- Do you desire to live the life God has called you to live as a man?
- Do you want a clear path to your purpose, vocation and mission?
- Do you desire freedom from old ways of thinking and living?

Restored was designed to gather men ages 18 and up together to unlock God's desire for their masculinity and discover the heroic life of virtue they are created for through the inspiration of courageous saints, scripture, and the writings of the Catholic Church.

The Thursday evening, Friday evening, and Saturday conference will consist of powerful testimonies, talks, fellowship, laughter, and encounters all designed to set men on a path of freedom to live as God desires.

Undone - Women's Retreat

November 7 - 9, 2024

 $\underline{\text{https://johnpauliihealingcenter.regfox.com/undone-dunwoody-ga-}117-924-stream}$

For women to be immersed in truth and transformation in God's presence while deeply receiving the truth of their authentic feminine identity.

- Do you feel restricted and bound by the knots of sin and shame that conceal the profound beauty of your feminine heart?
- Do you desire to dive deeper into the freedom that you were created for?

During this three-day retreat, held in parish communities around the US, you will be immersed in truth and transformation as the knots of Eve, in us, are undone by Mary's example of radical receptivity. Through a series of talks, teachings, and prayer experiences, you will be invited to become Undone in God's presence while deeply receiving the truth of your authentic feminine identity.

The weekend includes Adoration, time for prayer, worship, small group discussion, interactive and guided meditations, and much more.

The Adventure of Marriage

September 26, 2024 7-9PM http://stclarem.org/young-adults

Young married and engaged couples are invited to attend a marriage enrichment event featuring well-known guest speakers Karen and Tim Hogan. Karen and Tim will share some tools to help young couples take on marriage as a joy-filled adventure. They will teach us secrets to staying connected, particularly when in conflict and they will help us to create a healthy and life-giving spirituality of marriage.

EVANGELICAL CHARITY

We are Pro-Life, Pro-Woman, Pro-Family!

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



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 on the first Saturday of every month.

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 Soup
Canned Tuna
Baked Beans
Boxes of cereal
Peanut Butter
Jelly
Pasta
Tomato/Pasta Sauce
Canned Fruit
Cans of Chili, Stew,
Spaghettios
Rice
Mustard/Ketchup

CARE ITEMS

Laundry Pods
Liquid Dish Soap
Toilet Bowl Cleaner
Shampoo
Conditioner
Men's Deodorant
Women's Deodorant
Men's Body Wash
Women's Body Wash
Toothpaste
Hand Soap



Our next blood drive with the Red Cross is on Monday, October 14, 2024 in the Social Hall from 1:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Donating blood to someone in need is such a wonderful gift. Blood donations help accident and burn victims, heart surgery and transplant patients and those battling cancer. Please schedule an appointment today by visiting www.redcrossblood.org and entering sponsor code "OLRC." The Red Cross website is very informative if you are donating blood for the first time.



The Seven Sister Apostolate is a call to strengthen the Church by ensuring that a Holy Hour is prayed each day of the week for the sole intention of a specific priest or bishop. For more information, visit:

SevenSistersApostolate.org

Class on Catholic Social Teaching and Contemporary Issues

Catholic Social Teaching is a hidden treasure that can guide us in understanding contemporary issues and witnessing to



Jesus' wisdom and love communicated through the Church. Beginning Saturday, October 12 for 7 Saturdays Fr. Alex Kratz, OFM, will offer a class at St. Joseph Chapel (400 South Blvd. West, Pontiac, MI 48341) at 1:00 pm (after the Noon Mass) on the following topics: Abortion (Oct. 12), Immigration (Oct. 19), the Environment (Oct. 26), LGBT+ (Nov. 9), Healthcare (Nov. 16), Critical Race Theory (Nov. 30) and Gender Equality (Dec. 14). The textbook, Fr. Jeffrey Kirby's Sanctify Them in Truth: How the Church's Social Doctrine Addresses the Issues of Our Time is available for \$15.00. Grow closer to Our Lord as you learn more about the Catholic Faith. For more information, contact Fr. Alex: email at abunaalex@yahoo.com or call/text at (313) 727-9784.

OUR LADY OF REFUGE NEWS AND EVENTS

Attention

We are excited to enhance our liturgical environment with fresh cut flowers each weekend. We invite you to contribute \$50.00 or donate a bunch of fresh flowers in memory of a

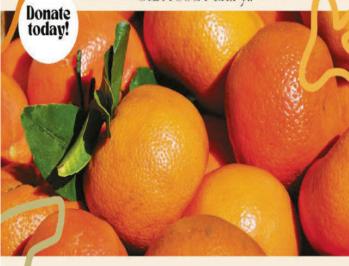
loved one. Your generosity will be acknowledged in the bulletin with a note recognizing the person you're honoring.

To participate, please complete the form found on the shelf in the gathering space. Place it in an envelope and either drop it in the collection basket or deliver it to the Parish Office.

Thank you for your consideration and help.



If you had a great year in the garden and have extra, please consider donating some to the OLR food Pantry!!



Contact Artha Horowitz or drop off your fruits and veggies to the parish office during business hours!

Thank You for your generosity

Flowers for the week of September 22nd have been graciously donated by Juliet C. Najor In Loving Memory of Tobias & Julia Casab & Family





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New Account Registration:

- 1. Go to formed.org/signup
- 2. Select your parish (using zip code is easiest)
- 3. Register your name and email address
- 4. Check that email address for a link to start.

Log in for parishioner with previous access:

- Go to formed.org/signup
- 2. In the upper right corner, select "Sign In"
- 3. A new "Sign In" screen appears. Enter your email address and select "Next"
- 4. Check your email and click the link to begin using FORMED.

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."

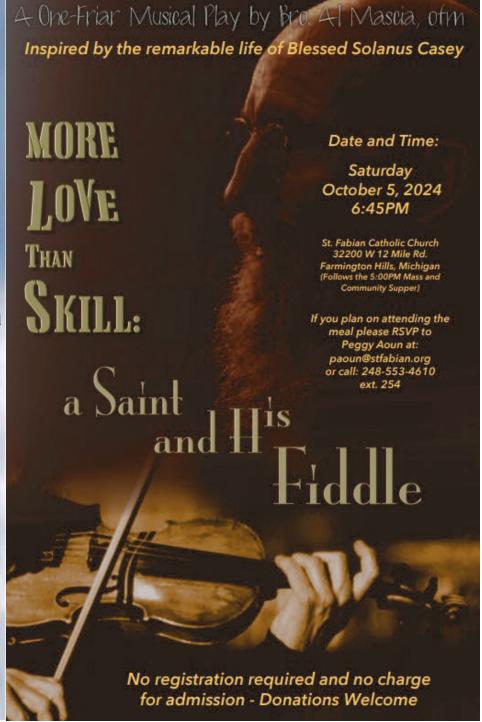
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