



OUR LADY OF REFUGE, Orchard Lake MI

Today is the Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time November 3, 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.

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE LORD OUR GOD IS LORD ALONE.

— MARK 12:29 —



OUR LADY OF REFUGE

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES

Readings for the week of November 3, 2024

Sunday: Dt 6:2-6/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 (2)/Heb 7:23-28/
Mk 12:28b-34

Monday: Phil 2:1-4/Ps 131:1bcde, 2, 3/Lk 14:12-14

Tuesday: Phil 2:5-11/Ps 22:26b-27, 28-30ab, 30c, 31-32/
Lk 14:15-24

Wednesday: Phil 2:12-18/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Lk 14:25-33

Thursday: Phil 3:3-8a/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 15:1-10

Friday: Phil 3:17—4:1/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Lk 16:1-8

Saturday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/1 Cor 3:9c-11,
16-17/ Jn 2:13-22

Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 (1b)/Heb 9:24-28/
Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44

Observances for the week of November 3, 2024

Sunday: 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time; Daylight Saving Time
Ends; National Vocation Awareness Week

Monday: St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop

Tuesday: Election Day

Saturday: The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Sunday: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

PRIEST SCHEDULE

Mon 11/4: 8:15am (Fr. Suresh)

Tue 11/5: 8:15am (Fr. Suresh)

Wed 11/6: 8:15am (Fr. Suresh)

Fri 11/8: 8:15am (Fr. Suresh)

Sat 11/9: 5:00pm (Fr. Suresh)

Sun 11/10: 9:30am (Fr. Suresh)
11:30am (Fr. Suresh)

Mon 11/11: 8:15am (Fr. Suresh)

Tue 11/12: 8:15am (Fr. Suresh)

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday at 3:30pm

INTENTIONS

Monday 11/4 Tobias & Juliet Casab (+)
Deceased members of the Gacho Espeso family requested
by the Javier family

Tuesday 11/5 Patrick Martinez (+) requested by Leigh & Theresa
Dushane
For World Peace requested by the Javier family

Wednesday 11/6 Joan Tomlinson (+) requested by Ellie Simchak
Alice Faust (+) requested by Regina Wachtel

Friday 11/8 Edward Bayma (+) requested by Connie Bayma

Saturday 11/9 Our Lady of Refuge Parishioners

Sunday 11/10 (9:30) Mary Currell (+) requested by John Currell
Thanksgiving for prayers answered & the prayer intentions
of the Javier Family

(11:30) Denise Dushane (+) requested by Leigh & Theresa
Dushane
Joe Panian (+) requested by Dar Panian

Monday 11/11 Tom Callahan (+) requested by John Currell
Richard Najor (+) requested by Juliet Najor

Tuesday 11/12 Judy LaFata (+) requested by Toni Laiber
Alice Faust (+) requested by Regina Wachtel

LECTOR & SLIDE PROJECTION SCHEDULE

Saturday 11/9:

Lucy Young
Suzanne Barcewicz
Steve Barcewicz*

Sunday 11/10:

(9:30am)

Rudy Varela
John Zubalik
Dan Schneble*

(11:30am)

Gabrielle Ansara
Reese George
Pete Llewellyn*

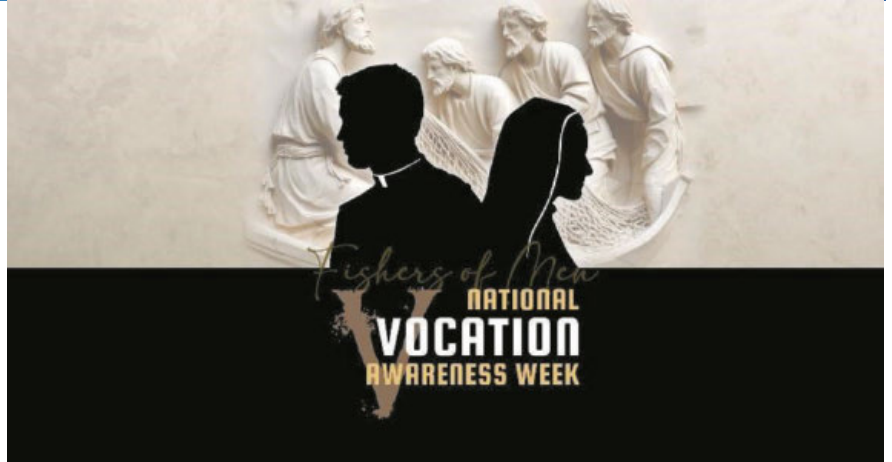
* Slide Projection

FR. SURESH, SAC

MODERATOR OF THE FAMILY

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National Vocation Awareness Week (Nov. 3-9, 2024) is an annual week-long celebration of the Catholic Church in the United States dedicated to promote vocations to ordained ministry and consecrated life through prayer, invitation, and education, and to renew our prayers and support for those who are considering these vocations.



First Reading: Duet. 6:2-6

“You shall love the LORD, your God, with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength.”

The Vocation Angle: Observing God’s law isn’t a chore but a grace: “that you may grow and prosper the more.” We were created to love, therefore our souls are at peace only in love. Your vocation is the answer to the question, “In what specific way is God calling me to love?”

Second Reading: Hebrews 7:23-28

“Jesus, because he remains forever, has a priesthood that does not pass away.”

The Vocation Angle: Take this opportunity to preach on the nature of the priesthood and the irreplaceable role of priests in the economy of grace. Consider emphasizing the need for priests in the diocese. Stress that God calls normal men; one does not have to be perfect to be a priest. At the same time, we need courageous men who are striving for virtue, burning with desire to bring God’s love to others.

Gospel: Mark 12:28b-342

Jesus reiterates the great commandment of love, “Love the Lord your God with all your heart... and your neighbor as yourself.”

The Vocation Angle: A priest who taught in Catholic high school for many years helped students navigate their teen years by counseling: “For now, spend your energy on becoming the man or woman God is calling you to be... the rest will come in time.” Similarly, St. Augustine famously advised, “A short precept is given thee: Love, and do what thou wilt... let the root of love be within, and nothing can spring from this root but what is good.”

Instead of agonizing over discerning one’s vocation, the best advice is to return to the basic law of love. Is love evident in your commitment to prayer? In your moral life? In your service to others, especially the poor? Redouble your efforts to love—and God will reveal your vocation. (source: Vianneyvocations.com)

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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.



2024 CSA update

Parish Target: \$120,000

CSA Goal: \$82,221

YTD Pledged: \$85,599

Goal Reached ~ THANK YOU! ~

Target Shortfall: \$(34,401)

Registered OLR families: 767

Number of Pledges: 179

Participation rate: 22%

Yes! We have exceeded our CSA goal! Please help us reach the Parish Target.



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

October 26 & 27, 2024

Offertory: \$10,419
Online Giving: \$2,283
Total: \$12,702

Weekly Budget: \$13,530

YTD Budgeted: \$243,540
YTD Actual: \$202,272

Under Budget: (\$41,268)

WORSHIP

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All Souls Day
NOVEMBER 2



Prayer for all the souls of the dead

O God,
You willed that your Only
Begotten Son,
having conquered death,
should pass over into the
realm of heaven
I pray that all your faithful
departed servants,
who have left this earthly life,
may join your Son,
our Lord Jesus Christ,
and gaze eternally on you,
their Creator and Redeemer
in heaven.
Eternal rest grant unto them,
O Lord,
And perpetual light shine
upon them.
May their souls and the souls
of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God,
rest in peace.
Amen.

Born Into Eternal Life

<i>Jeanette DeConick</i>	<i>11-21-2023</i>
<i>Robert Grant</i>	<i>12- 9-2023</i>
<i>Jeffrey Forester</i>	<i>1-20-2024</i>
<i>Christopher Suci</i>	<i>1-24-2024</i>
<i>Col John Burt</i>	<i>1-26-2024</i>
<i>Robert Alflen</i>	<i>1-31-2024</i>
<i>Betty McEndarffer</i>	<i>3- 2-2024</i>
<i>Ruth Poly</i>	<i>3-11-2024</i>
<i>Catherine White</i>	<i>4-12-2024</i>
<i>Judith LaFata</i>	<i>4-21-2024</i>
<i>William Mellerowicz</i>	<i>5- 7-2024</i>
<i>Joan Tomlinson</i>	<i>6- 5-2024</i>
<i>Leonard Stempien</i>	<i>6-28-2024</i>
<i>Edward Cassar Jr.</i>	<i>7- 1-2024</i>
<i>Jason Gekiere</i>	<i>7- 1-2024</i>
<i>Marian Soditch</i>	<i>7-17-2024</i>
<i>Sylvia Cervantes-Weedon</i>	<i>7-23-2024</i>
<i>Paul Scheer</i>	<i>9-20-2024</i>
<i>Patricia Pfeffer</i>	<i>10-6-2024</i>
<i>Michael Tucci</i>	<i>10-10-2024</i>

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Attention kids, adults, parents, seniors and all parishioners in between: Family Choir is rolling! - Still plenty of time to join. We had about 12 people at our first Family Choir rehearsal - we still need you!

Three simple steps to join:

1. Pick a rehearsal:

Wednesday 11/13/24 6-7 PM Rehearsal

or

Wednesday 12/4/24 6-7 PM Rehearsal

2. Get your music:

- See me for a CD and paper packet.
- See me for a USB stick with audio tracks and pdf.
- Download pdf and audio tracks with the QR code.



3. See you Christmas Eve for 4 PM mass.

The idea is you listen to the music at home. Singing together as a family is a great activity and you have all the elements you need right here.

You can download the tunes and see if its right for you. These are mainly Christmas Carols that you will know.

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

Psalm 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51

R. I love you, Lord, my strength.

I love you, O LORD, my strength,

O LORD, my rock, my fortress, my deliverer.

R. I love you, Lord, my strength.

My God, my rock of refuge,

my shield, the horn of my salvation, my stronghold!

Praised be the LORD, I exclaim,

and I am safe from my enemies.

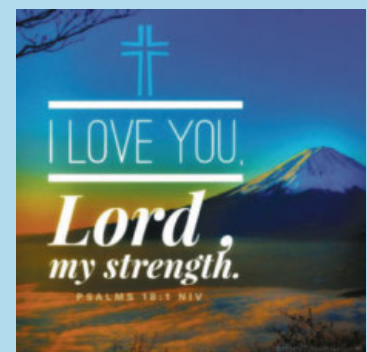
R. I love you, Lord, my strength.

The LORD lives! And blessed be my rock!

Extolled be God my savior.

You who gave great victories to your king

and showed kindness to your anointed.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

TONY KREUCHER

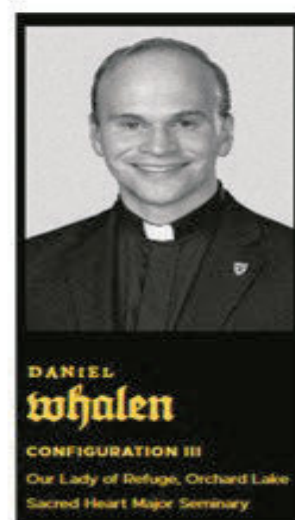
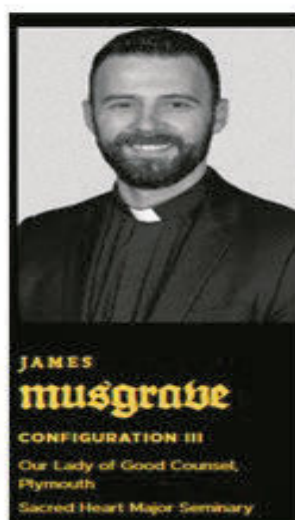
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MEET OUR SEMINARIANS



Theology III
Transition Deacons, 4-2025
Ordination, 5-2026



The harvest is plenty, The laborers are few. Pray for our seminarians.

Today begins Vocations Awareness Week ~ Over the next week, please pray that young people in today's culture will hear and respond to God's call. And do your part to encourage them to consider the priesthood and consecrated life!

All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day are wonderful reminders of all the people who have come before us, whether officially recognized as saints or not; our loved ones who helped lead us in our faith and showed us the love of Christ by their actions. A priest I know has said that entering heaven will be like walking out of the tunnel of a football stadium; all the crowd will be the faithful Christians who have gone before us, cheering as we join their number.

Our Lady of the Fields is hosting a Confirmation retreat on November 16 from 9am to 6pm. 7th and 8th grade students - or their parents - should investigate this opportunity. Cost is \$65 and more info can be found at OLF.camp/retreats/

Election Day Prayer Vigil

We invite you to join us on Tuesday, November 5th, as we come together to pray for our nation. Our prayer vigil will begin immediately after the 8:15 AM Mass and continue until 8:00 PM in the church. Let us lift our voices to God, seeking His blessings on our nation, our leaders, and all involved in the electoral process. Everyone is encouraged to spend some time in prayer and reflection throughout the day. Sign-up sheet available in the gathering space.

EVANGELICAL CHARITY

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Harvest Wagon Is Here!

October 26-November 10

Want to know what the Harvest Wagon is?

The Harvest Wagon is used to gather funds for OLR to purchase holiday food items needed for Thanksgiving and Christmas. These items will be provided to families in need who shop at our Food Pantry.

We ask that you consider taking an envelope marked "Happy Thanksgiving" and making a donation of \$20.00 or more. You may drop your envelope in the large slotted pumpkin or place it in the collection basket. Checks should be made payable to Our Lady of Refuge Christian Service, with "Harvest Wagon" noted in the memo line. Your donations are greatly appreciated! Thank you for your generosity and kindness in helping those in need during the upcoming holiday season.

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 Cranberries
French's Crispy Onions
Canned Soup
Baked Beans
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

Angel's Place Meals

Angel's Place supports individuals with developmental disabilities, particularly those with intellectual disabilities, who may require assistance with daily life demands and completing tasks typically expected for their age group. Located at 29299 Franklin Road in Southfield, we would greatly appreciate your consideration in bringing a meal for the residents. Whether it's a homemade dish or something simple like a Costco rotisserie chicken, salad, and dessert (they love desserts!), your contribution would mean a lot. Thus far in the month of October only one meal has been provided from OLR. Thank you for your support of this ministry.

To sign up to bring a meal either use the QR Code, the link on our website or the following website
www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0d49a8ab2baaf58-angels#/



Right-to-Life Lifespan Christmas cards will be available for purchase after Masses on the week-ends of November 9-10 and November 16-17.

The cards are \$8 for a package of 10 and \$16 for a package of 20

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.



*Thank You for
your generosity*

Flowers for the week of
November 3rd have been
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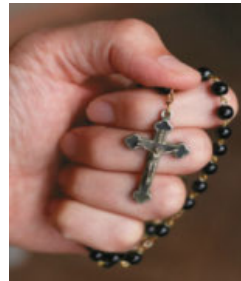


To participate, please complete the form found on the shelf in the gathering space. Place it in an envelope and either drop it in the collection basket or deliver it to the Parish Office.

Thank you for your consideration and help.



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



Join Us

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.

Awaken
MINISTRY

JOIN US TUESDAY,
NOVEMBER 12TH AT 7:00PM.

EVENING INCLUDES
ADORATION, PRAISE AND
WORSHIP, PRAYER, AND
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OF
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SUNDAY OCTOBER 2024
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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; com-
fort 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
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



Please contact Cora
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add or remove a name.



Euchre Night

Saturday, November 9th

Doors open at 6:00 pm

Play starts at 6:30 pm

\$20/Player

Pizza/Salad/Refreshments

Snacks and Prizes

This will be an individual-play tournament, no teams.
6-rounds of play.

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available to our community—simply reach out via the phone,
email or personally after all our Masses.



When do we meet? Join us on the first Wednesday of each
month in the Social Hall from 9:30 to 11 AM. We'd love to
have you with us! Contact Lisa Marie with any questions or
concerns at lblank@olorcc.org

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