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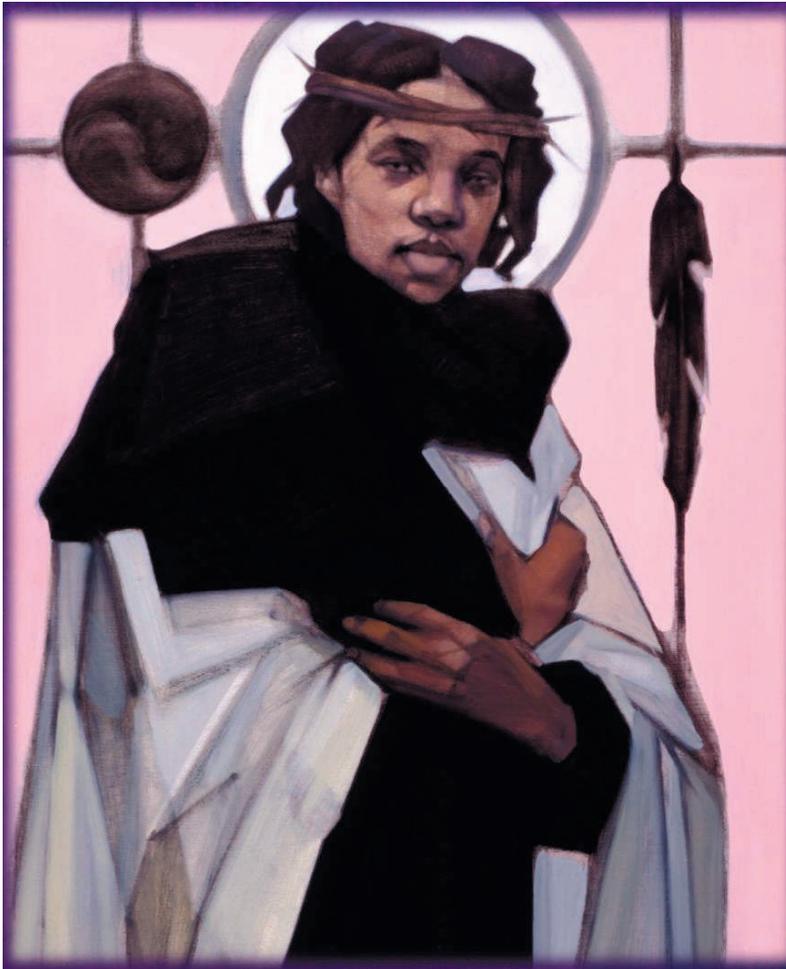
2nd Sunday in Lent



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## Lent 2017

Jesus transfigured  
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**SAT** 5:00 PM

**SUN** 8:00 AM/10:30 AM/6:00 PM

**MON** 8:00 AM

**WED** 9:30 AM

**THU** 8:00 AM

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## FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

### Parish Support - February 20-26, 2017

Stewardship Offering (Envelopes/Electronic) .....	\$15,180.57
Offertory .....	\$865.62

### Budget Updates Fiscal Year: July 1, 2016-June 30, 2017

Contributions Received.....	\$526,722.89
Contribution Budget.....	<u>\$517,250.00</u>
<b>Difference as of 2/28/17 .....</b>	<b>\$9,472.89</b>

Operating Income* .....	\$744,546.70
Operating Expenses.....	<u>\$659,246.24</u>
<b>Balance as of 2/28/17 .....</b>	<b>\$85,300.46</b>

\*Includes bequest of life insurance benefit and percentage of residual estate value = \$32,330.84

### Improvement Fund Updates

Beginning Balance 7/1/16.....	\$103,671.52
Donations .....	\$38,669.45
Expenses.....	<u>\$10,575.55</u>
<b>Balance as of 2/28/17 .....</b>	<b>\$131,765.42</b>

## CALENDAR RAFFLE 2017

<u>Date</u>	<u>Prize</u>	<u>Ticket</u>	<u>Winner</u>
2/26.....	\$50.00 .....	0996 .....	Brandon C. Crisp
2/27.....	\$20.00 .....	0361 .....	Austin Pederson
2/28.....	\$20.00 .....	0527 .....	Kim Skoczynski
3/1 .....	\$100.00.....	0993 .....	Margaret Krawczyk
3/2 .....	\$20.00 .....	0548 .....	Peter Czajka
3/3 .....	\$20.00 .....	0954 .....	S. Judy Vander Grinten
3/4 .....	\$20.00 .....	0658 .....	Elaine Acker

## COMMUNITY LIFE

### In Memoriam

In loving memory of Nancy Zacher  
From the Tom Zacher Family (Tom, Barb, Eric, Angelica, Alexa, Landon, Baby A,B,C, Erica, Pete, Nicole, Franky, Nayeli, Joel and Meilani and Thomas Zacher); Mary, Duane, Drew (Alex) and Marc (Erica) Pickering; Al, Doreen, Ben, Lyndsey and Alyssa Zacher (Josh); Joe, Debbie, and Kris Zacher (Kristi and Hannah), Tracy Jo and Alex Sowinski.

### Easter Vigil Hospitality

Each year after the Easter Vigil, this community has the wonderful tradition of offering hospitality to those newly received and those receiving the Sacraments of Initiation. This social is also open to all those attending the Easter Vigil liturgy. This year, we are again counting on the generosity of this faith community to help offset the costs of a social this size. Next weekend, there will be sign-up sheets located in the Lobby seeking food and beverage donations. There will also be reminder cards available for you to take home that will note the times the items can be dropped off. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

### Troop 612 Fish Fry and Popcorn

Boy Scout Troop 612 has three more fish fries happening this Lent: March 17, March 31, and April 7 from 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm.

Troop 612 will also have its popcorn sale on March 18 and 19 in Hall B.

## SUN 12

8:00 am Liturgy	Church
9:30 am RCIA	Rm 3
10:30 am Liturgy	Church
12:00 pm Good Friday	
Mime Rehearsal	Church
6:00 pm Liturgy	Church

## MON 13

8:00 am Liturgy	Rm 9
9:30 am Gather the Seeds:	
A Women's Circle	Rm 6
6:30 pm Building & Grounds	
Cmte. Mtg.	Rm 3
6:30 pm Centering Prayer	Rm 9

## TUE 14

8:00 am Communion Service	Rm 9
9:00 am And the Elders Pray	Rm 9
6:45 pm Boy Scouts - Tr. 612	Hall AB
7:00 pm Adult Choir Reh.	Church
7:00 pm St. Vincent de Paul	
Mtg.	Rm 3
7:00 pm Teen Action Group	Rm 4
7:00 pm Indie Book Group	Rm 6

2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

# LIGHT

And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light. —Mt 17:2

## FORMATION

### Helpers Needed For the Children’s Easter Event

We are seeking people to assist with the Children’s Easter Event that takes place on Easter Sunday during the 10:30 am liturgy for children age 3-6. Becky Meleski, our event coordinator, will provide you with guidance. Contact Steve Szymanski if you would like to help.

### RCIA: Sending and Election!

This weekend, our RCIA/RCIC candidates and catechumens enter the final phase of their journey of becoming Catholics. We as a community send them to the archbishop who will declare them as accepted in this process. Please continue to hold them in prayer.

### Movie Time!

Our next Monday Night at the Movies features *Romero*, the story of Archbishop Romero’s spiritual journey from a quiet academic to pastor of the oppressed in El Salvador. Join us for a fabulous and thought provoking film Monday, March 20, from 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm in Parish Hall A. Free popcorn and no admission fee! P.S. bring a friend and share the joy!

### Next GIFT Session: The Joy of Vatican II

Be sure to join us on Sunday, March 26, at 11:45 am, or Monday, March 27, at 5:30 pm as we explore the great joy brought about by this historical Church Council. [Hint: it may well be responsible for your membership at OLOL!] Nancie Chmielewski will be our adult facilitator. If you are not a regular GIFT attendee, kindly call the Parish Office to register.

### Indie Book News

Ready for a great book study? Join us for *The Future of God: A Practical Approach to Spirituality for Our Time* by Deepak Chopra. For three decades, Deepak Chopra has inspired millions with his profound writing and teaching. With *The Future of God*, he invites us on a journey of the spirit, providing a practical path to understanding God and our own place in the universe. “Now, is a moment of reinvigoration,” he argues. “Now is moment of renewal. Now is the future.” We will meet 2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month beginning Tuesday, March 14, from 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm. Please read the first two chapters for the first session.

## VIRTUE OF THE WEEK

### SACRIFICE

Sacrifice is the willingness to give up something important for something more important. It means to “make sacred.” When we sacrifice for those we care about, it is not a deprivation but a love offering. Sacrificing our time, our possessions, our personal comfort, and our resources for something we care about gives back to us a hundred fold.

What “sacrifice” can you offer to our parish this Lent? What need can you fill?

## WED 15

9:00 am	BAAM Mtg.	Hall AB
9:30 am	Liturgy	Church
10:15 am	Faith Group Social	Hall C
1:00 pm	Green Corners	
	Ecumenical Mtg.	Rm 3
6:30 pm	Pastoral Council Mtg.	Rm 3
6:30 pm	Oktoberfest Planning	
	Mtg.	Rm 7
7:00 pm	GASIC Mtg.	Rm 6

## THU 16

8:00 am	Liturgy	Rm 9
9:15 am	MOMS Spirituality	Rm 3
7:00 pm	The Parables of Jesus	Hall A

## FRI 17

8:00 am	Communion Service	Rm 9
4:00 pm	Troop 612 Fish Fry	Hall ABC

## WORSHIP

### Janet McKenzie

This week's image is entitled "Jesus of the People" and was chosen because it challenges us to transform our understanding and image of Jesus. In his day, Jesus was not the image of "leader" or "messiah" that the people were expecting.

Jesus spent the majority of his life challenging the perceptions of not only the political and spiritual leaders, but also the people who had long awaited someone who would literally deliver them from the oppression they experienced. Perhaps a question for us this week might be to ask which perceptions or behaviors are in need of transformation.

The following is some information on "Jesus of the People."

"Artist Janet McKenzie is known for her dark interpretation of Christ, 'Jesus of the People.' This painting, modeled by a woman, honors people of color and women—two groups traditionally marginalized and left out of the sacred art of Jesus. Selected First Place winner of the National Catholic Reporter's global competition for a new image of Jesus by Sr. Wendy Becket, the painting was revealed for the first time on the *Today* show in New York. The initial response to 'Jesus of the People' was viciously negative with the artist receiving death threats and her mail separated for fear of letter bombs, and more. Over time people stood up for the work realizing the painting serves to remind that we are all created equally in God's likeness. 'Jesus of the People' has been featured in film, books, and online all over the world and is now embraced as an icon of this era."

### Spotlight Articles

Please be sure to check out the Spotlight section of your bulletin for this week's Lenten reflection by Mary Lamping.

### New Ministers Request

The ministries of funeral server, sacristan, and ushers are all in need of a new burst of life that can be filled by your generous service! The great news is there are no meetings attached to any of these ministries, and you are scheduled according to your availability. You may serve once a month or you can serve more often if you like. It is up to you. Consider doing this with a family member or a friend. Training and mentoring is provided. For more information, please contact Chris Deily, Director of Liturgy. All are welcome!

## OUTREACH

### From St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel, Jesus is transfigured and a voice from heaven said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him."

Do we listen to Jesus when he asks us to take care of our brothers and sisters who are suffering? Your gift in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box will help the poor to celebrate the grace of God's love this Easter.

### Volunteers Needed

The SVDP meal site located at 10th and Madison needs your help in serving food and drink to those in need on Wednesday, March 15. A car pool is available from the OLOL south parking lot leaving at 4:45 pm. Serving begins at 5:30 pm and ends at 6:30 pm. Help in cleaning up would be appreciated. If you need any other information, please see the SVDP bulletin board in the meeting room hallway or call the Parish Office.

### Special Needs Resource Fair

March 18  
10:00 am - noon  
St. Luke Catholic Church  
Carpenter Hall (18000 W. Greenfield Avenue in Brookfield)

A special needs resource fair will be held to share community resources available to individuals and families with special needs. Come visit to learn more about the community resources available to you! For more information, contact

St. Luke's Catholic Church at (262) 782-0032 or [stluke@stlukebrookfield.org](mailto:stluke@stlukebrookfield.org) or visit the website at [www.stlukebrookfield.org](http://www.stlukebrookfield.org).

# SAT 18

# SUN 19

Community Weekend  
Troop 612 Popcorn Sale  
Easter Vigil Hospitality Sign-up  
5:00 pm Liturgy Church

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8:00 am Liturgy Church  
9:00 am First Eucharist Prep Hall A  
9:30 am RCIA Rm 3  
10:30 am Liturgy Church  
12:00 pm Good Friday Mime Church  
Rehearsal Church  
6:00 pm Liturgy Church

## New Archdiocese News and Info Webpage

We have redesigned our Catholic Web Links page to now highlight major communications coming out of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. There you will find the three latest communications from the archdiocese that we are asked to release to the community. You will also find feeds to their Facebook and Twitter accounts as well as all the links that were a part of the former page.

You can access the page at:  
[www.ololmke.org/arch-info](http://www.ololmke.org/arch-info)



## Lenten Reflection

Many years ago, I read the book *The Five People You Meet in Heaven* by Mitch Albom. In the story, a man dies. When he gets to heaven, he meets five people who have influenced his path in life. Some he knew. A few he had never met before. Since then, I like to think about who might be my five people in heaven. I hope that my parents might be there to greet me. I imagine that my high school algebra teacher would be there, as he was the one who made me want to be a teacher. But I also hope that I might see the guy who tried to pick me up outside a bar 15 years ago. He had no idea what he did for the ego of that 50+ year old lady. Who else might be there?

After the man talks to these people, he waits for the people to come to him whose lives he had affected. Now I think about who these might be for me. I hope that it might be some of the hundreds of children I have taught over the years. Those I know about. But what about those, like that man outside the bar, that I didn't realize that I had touched. Was it that hassled clerk at the store when I smiled and remained patient as she helped me? Or how about the homeless man that I made a blanket for? Maybe it was the person on the freeway that I slowed down for so that both of us could avoid an accident. Or it could be the immigrant that was helped by the letter I wrote to my congressman and senator. Who knows?

Many times in the Bible, we have God telling us to welcome, love, and seek justice for the poor, for the widow and the orphan, and for refugees and other foreigners. Jesus tells us that whatever we do for the least of His people, we do for Him.

In Lori True's song, we sing "What have we done for the poor ones (the hungry, the stranger, the broken, the prisoner, the voiceless, the children, the old ones) here in our midst." This Lent, I hope that I can play a positive role in the lives of the people I meet (and even the lives of those I don't meet face to face), but more importantly I recognize that I won't always know when that might be.

Mary Lamping, Liturgy Planning Committee member

# DISCIPLESHIP

## What is a Parish Ambassador?

The sign out front advertises that "All are Welcome," and Parish Ambassadors make sure that everyone who visits our community truly feels that!

Consider Our Lady of Lourdes to be your home. When visitors or guests come to your home, you always do your best to make the company feel welcome. You offer them a drink or a bite to eat. You offer them the best seat and you make sure to spend time with them. You focus on their needs and wants and cater to them. When the visit comes to an end, you invite them to come back again. This is what Parish Ambassadors do to everyone who enters our community!

The Parish Ambassadors will be there to smile and welcome guests. They will make them feel comfortable and at home during the visit. They will invite visitors to come back, will listen to their needs, and possibly link them to a ministry that will meet that need!

You will notice Parish Ambassadors by the large white buttons they wear that say "Parish Ambassador." When you see them, thank them and ask them to personally tell you about their ministry. If we all do the work of the Parish Ambassador, we will fulfill Christ's command to "love one another."

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*"Let me not to the marriage of true minds admit impediments." from Sonnet 116 by William Shakespeare*

**Hear ye! Hear ye! Here ye!**

**Calling all writers, poets, and wannabes of the Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Community and its friends!**

In an effort to bring about a celebration, appreciation, and collaboration of the Arts to our annual Hallway Art Gallery Exhibition, the olol ART Guild would like to invite you to

**be inspired**

**be creative**

**and**

**be read**



by writing a poem or essay to be displayed and shared with our viewers in response to the artwork exhibited in

**TRANSITION - The 2017 Hallway ART Gallery Exhibition in**

## **The Marriage of True Minds – A Collaboration of Writing and the Visual Arts**

### ***The Specifics:***

- ◆ Throughout the run of the show, from March 4-April 23, you are invited to pull up a chair, place it before the artwork of your choice, and write in response to the piece of ART, which you choose to take on as your muse (or if it is more convenient to you, just snap a pic, head to your favorite writing spot, and let the word flow begin).
- ◆ You may submit as many poems/essays, in response to separate pieces of artwork, as you would like. Adults and teens are all welcome to be a part of this effort.
- ◆ Upon completion of your writing, please submit your work to Mary Lou Maletta [lulumalet@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lulumalet@sbcglobal.net); Mary Ann Logic ([jmlogic@wi.rr.com](mailto:jmlogic@wi.rr.com)) or Nancie Chmielewski ([chmielewskin@ololmke.org](mailto:chmielewskin@ololmke.org)) and we will, print, mount, and display it next to the ARTWORK from which it was inspired for the duration of the show. When submitting, please include the title and the artist of the ARTWORK which you used as inspiration, underneath your name, on your document.

### **COMING UP SOON...**

**AN EVENING OF GROUP WRITING!!!** Monday, March 20, from 6:30 – 8:30 PM, we will hold a gathering for those writers who prefer a group setting to create their poem or essay. Note: This is not a class, but simply an opportunity to write in the company of others, if that is a more comfortable setting for you. You can drop in at whatever time is convenient for you during the allotted time.

**A POETRY READING EVENING!!!** On Monday, April 24, at 6:30 pm, you are invited to read your submitted work at a POETRY/ESSAY READING. The chosen ARTISTS and interested viewers from the parish will be present for dialogue and feedback. ***If you do not wish to read your poem out loud, the ART GUILD will have "designated readers" present to read your work for the "reading".***

*This should be so much fun to tap into, not only the visual art talent of the community,  
but into the talents of our writers as well.*