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14th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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“Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light.” - Mt 11:29-30

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EUCCHARIST:

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 - June 19-25, 2017

Stewardship Offering (Envelopes/Electronic) \$11,049.13
 Offertory \$924.30

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

Contributions Received.....\$764,847.34
 Contribution Budget.....\$770,000.00
Difference as of 6/25/17 \$(5,152.66)

Operating Income*\$943,461.34
 Operating Expenses.....\$889,799.11
Balance as of 5/31/17 \$53,662.23

*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 \$55,068.45
 Expenses.....\$52,763.02
Balance as of 6/25/17 \$105,976.95

CALENDAR RAFFLE 2017

Date	Prize	Ticket	Winner
6/25.....	\$50.00	0565	Joshua Waldoch
6/26.....	\$20.00	0586	Mike & Michele Gamache
6/27.....	\$20.00	0047	Joan Brost
6/28.....	\$20.00	0822	Suzanne Machajewski
6/29.....	\$20.00	0047	Joan Brost
6/30.....	\$20.00	1205	Brian P. Rich
7/1	\$20.00	1135	Josef Becker

COMMUNITY LIFE

Wedding Banns

III Quyen Tran & Christopher Orvold

In Memoriam

In loving memory of
 James Arnsdorff
 & Douglas Hardy

From
 Theresa Arnsdorff

In loving memory of
 Steve Ratkowski

From
 John & Terese Cieslak, Jr.
 Rosemary Lupo
 Art & Alice Zinky

Wednesday Morning Reconciliation and Anointing

Fr. Bill will be available for the sacrament of reconciliation and to do anointing of the sick on Wednesdays after the 9:30 am liturgies at which he presides. Reconciliation will be available from 10:00 am-10:15 am.

Life is short. Live it well.

Theology on Tap 2017

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SUN 9

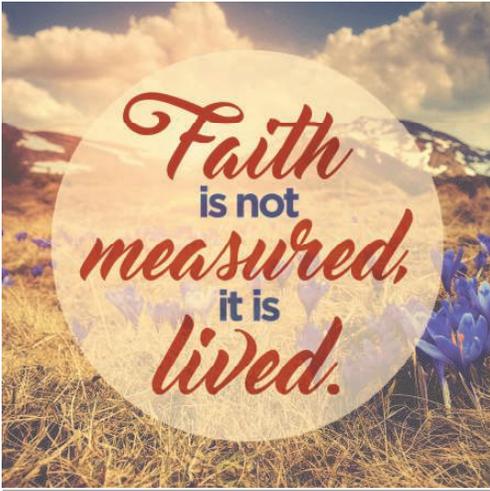
Festival Sign-up
 8:00 am Liturgy Church
 10:30 am Liturgy Church
 6:00 pm Liturgy Church

MON 10

8:00 am Communion Service Rm 9
 4:00 pm Centering Prayer Rm 9

TUE 11

9:00 am And the Elders Pray
 w/Communion Rm 9
 3:00 pm Food Pantry Rm 4
 6:00 pm Festival Grounds
 Walk-through Hall C
 6:45 pm Boy Scouts - Tr. 612 Hall AB



FORMATION

VIRTUE OF THE WEEK

RESPONSIBILITY

Responsibility is the willingness to be accountable for our choices. Others can depend on us to do what we say we will do and to give our best effort. We take on what is ours to do with commitment and reliability. We do not do the work of others. We work together to accomplish the tasks.

Twenty-four members of our parish will be involved with Reach Out Reach In in Milwaukee this week. Please pray that their service experience is meaningful to those they serve and to themselves.

Have you taken on some responsibility to help with the parish festival next weekend? Please consider one shift somewhere.

Here Comes Everyone! ...this is the theme of our upcoming year of GIFT!

- What is GIFT? GIFT is our faith formation program. GIFT stands for: Generations in Faith Together. We have been up and running for 11 years and look forward to your joining us in year 12.
- How does GIFT work? We gather on a Sunday from about 11:45 am - 2:15 pm or Monday, from 5:30 pm - about 8:00 pm. You choose the day! We begin with a meal, a shared activity, and then send the children and youth for age appropriate learning while the adults stay together for a presentation and discussion on the particular session topic. Various adult presenters lead us in discussions and exercises to help us understand our Catholic faith.
- How often do we meet? We gather 10 times between September and April or May.
- Why don't I just drop my child off for religious ed? GIFT has proven itself to be a great community builder, a powerful means of continuing our formation as adults, and an opportunity for families to discuss our faith.

For more information and to register, see: ololmke.org/gift/ or contact the Parish Office at (414) 545-4316.

Prayer is Powerful

Often, when asked, folks tell us that they really have no gifts worth sharing. Yet the gift of prayer is one of the best gifts any of us can give another! We have a prayer ministry at OLOL in which petitions are gathered and then distributed to those willing to take these needs and concerns to prayer. Another way to pray is to crochet or knit a prayer shawl! These shawls are given to the homebound, grieving, and infirmed. One can literally be wrapped in the prayer of this community! Are you interested in trying out either or both of these ministries? Contact the Parish Office for details.

Thank you!

WED 12

7:00 am St. Ben's Meal Prep Kitchen
9:30 am Liturgy Church

THU 13

8:00 am Communion Service Rm 9
9:00 am Stewardship Mailing Prep Rm 3
6:30 pm Human Concerns Cmt. Mtg. Rm 9

FRI 14

5:00 pm Quyen Tran & Christopher Orvold Wedding Rehearsal Church

Festival

4:00 pm-11:00 pm

WORSHIP

Our Bodies are Temples! Embodied Worship

“Our second reading today from Paul’s Letter to the Romans raises a significant issue for consideration. At the beginning of this passage Paul insists,

‘You are not in the flesh; on the contrary, you are in the spirit, if only the Spirit of God dwells in you.’

The passage ends with a similar language:

‘We are not debtors to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. For if you live according to the flesh, you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live.’

“Language like this has led many Christians to see the body as evil and a source of sin. That has led to efforts to deny and even abuse our bodies in hope of becoming ‘spiritual,’ as opposed to ‘bodily.’ This has created a false spirituality that assumes we need to become like angels in order to be holy.

“This perspective flows largely from misinterpreting what Paul means by ‘the flesh.’ It does not mean the body nor does it mean sexual desires and activity. For Paul, ‘flesh’ means unredeemed human existence...He is instead pointing to human weaknesses, particularly sins that include idolatry, materialism, hatred and racism, rivalry and competitiveness, jealousy, envy, elitism, arrogance, acts of violence, and all such like.

“When we understand ‘the flesh’ as Paul understands it, we know that Paul is speaking about the domination of the Spirit. In another epistle, Paul tells us that what the Spirit produces in us is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, and self-control.

“God took on a human body, so the body is clearly not evil. Even Paul’s words in the passage indicate that,

‘The one who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also, through his Spirit that dwells in you.’

“Our bodies are temples of God!”

(Excerpts from Fr. Lawrence Mick, in *Celebrations*, July 2017)

OUTREACH

From St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel today, we hear Jesus say: “Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest.”

Your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul brings peace to those who are overwhelmed with life’s burdens.

St. Ben’s Meal Program

We serve at St. Benedict the Moor’s meal program on July 12. Please bring fresh cut vegetables, hard-cooked eggs, and bakery to the Parish Office on Monday, Tuesday, or no later than 3:00 pm on Wednesday. To help with food preparation or serving, please call the Parish Office.

You can also make monetary donations to help pay for the chickens we serve using your monthly donation slips or our webpage: <http://www.ololmke.org/st-bens/>

St. Luke’s Eucharistic Ministry

On the second Wednesday of every month, OLOL volunteers take the Eucharist to Catholic patients at St. Luke’s Medical Center. We are always looking for new ministers. If you are interested, please contact Joan Hansen at (414) 282-9398 or at jeffrey_hansen@att.net for more details.

Living Well with Chronic Conditions Workshop

Tuesdays, July 11- August 15
1:30 pm – 4:00 pm

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This six week class will empower those living with chronic conditions like arthritis, heart problems, asthma, stroke, pain, osteoporosis, high blood pressure, diabetes, obesity, emphysema, and cancer.

Register online at ahc.aurorahealthcare.org/events/index.asp

SAT 15

2:00 pm Quyen Tran & Christopher Orvold Wedding Church
5:00 pm Liturgy Church

Festival

3:00 pm-11:00 pm

SUN 16

8:00 am Liturgy Church
10:30 am Liturgy Church
6:00 pm Liturgy Church

Festival

11:30 am-8:30 pm

COMMUNICATIONS

SPOTLIGHT

Ministers Needed

Each summer, every ministry at OLOL puts out a call for volunteers, as they prepare for the beginning of the ministry year in September. The A/V Ministry is no different. The A/V Ministry runs the technology that provides visual enhancements to our liturgies. An A/V minister runs our camera to provide a video feed of Mass to our overflow/crying room and show various Mass parts and sacraments on the screens in church. That person also runs any PowerPoint slideshow we need for presentations or environment at Mass. This is a behind the scenes ministry that helps many. Unfortunately, we don't always have enough ministers for every Mass throughout the year. If you are interested in joining this team in the growing ministry, contact Marc Puechner.

A Note from Nancie

Greetings fellow disciples! Now that I've settled into my new "digs," I want to share some thoughts with you. First, thank you for your incredible show of support as I begin this position of spiritual and pastoral leadership of Our Lady of Lourdes. Your blessings, prayers, offers to help, cards, emails, phone calls and reminders that you "have my back" humble me. I have often said we are in this together. We are the Church! Something I've pondered is a scripture passage often used, but worthwhile as we continue our journey together:

"There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone. To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit... one and the same Spirit produces all of these, distributing them individually to each person as he wishes... For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body...and we were all given to drink of one Spirit." [1 Cor 12:4-13]

Let us continue to be and build the Body of Christ!

On a different note, people have been asking what I am to be called. There is no official address assigned to my position, and that is just fine with me! Please, call me by my baptismal name, Nancie. Finally, my door is open. Stop in for a visit! Blessings.

DISCIPLESHIP

What is a Parish Ambassador?

The sign out front advertises that "All are Welcome," and a parish ambassador makes sure that everyone that visits our community truly feels that!

Consider Our Lady of Lourdes to be your home. When a 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 seats 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 the parish ambassador does to everyone who enters our community!

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

You will notice the 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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