

MAY 21, 2023

Ascension Sunday



Our Lady of Lourdes

Catholic Church

... a pilgrim church
coming to know
the kingdom of God
by being Christ
to the world.



The Ascension of the Lord

Go, therefore, and make
disciples of all nations,
baptizing them in the name
of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit,
teaching them to observe
all that I have commanded you.
And behold, I am with you always,
until the end of the age.”
Mt 28:19-20

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EUCCHARIST:

SAT 5:00 PM

SUN 8:00 AM | 10:30 AM

WED 9:30 AM

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FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Parish Support - May 2023

	ACTUAL <i>as of 5/14/23</i>	BUDGETED <i>for May</i>
Reg. Envelopes	\$28,065.13	\$61,000.00
Offertory	\$648.00	\$3,200.00

Budget Updates Fiscal Year: May 2023

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED
Operating Income	\$812,353.00	\$776,925.00
Operating Expenses.....	\$750,739.05	\$780,394.41

Improvement Fund Updates

Beg. Balance 7/1/22...	\$110,693.46
Donations	\$32,182.28
Expenses	\$1,625.00
Balance (5/14/2023)	\$141,250.74

THANK YOU!

*Our Lady of Lourdes is greatly
blessed with your continued
generous support
of all our ministries!*

2023 Catholic Stewardship Appeal (4/10/2023)

Donations:.....**\$18,417.00**
Goal is \$42,840 42.99%

Donors:..... **88**
of donors: 1,043 8.44%

DECIDE TO LEAD

www.CatholicAppeal.org

NOTES FROM NANCIE

Beginning anew, and endings

It is with great joy that I announce the appointment of Deb Steppe as our new shepherd for OLOL! Deb has been serving our community as director of liturgy for the past four years. For a year before her hire, she interned in the liturgy office and in other pastoral capacities in the parish. She has led many Communion services and funeral Word services as well. In future articles, she will share more of her journey.

I have known Deb for 17 years and find her to be a great seeker of God, and willing to live into the hard questions of the faith journey. She has a deep love for this parish and will walk with you as you continue to grow into discipleship.

My final weekend to pray with you will be June 17/18. We will celebrate with a reception after each liturgy that weekend. I do hope to be able to see you all and say farewell. My final day will be June 19. Deb will begin this adventure on **Tuesday, June 20**.

As we enter this very real time of transition, may I ask for your prayers for our parish, for Deb and the staff, and for me?

With continued hope and Easter joy,
Nancie Chmielewski

VIRTUE OF THE WEEK

Prayerfulness

Prayerfulness is a relationship with a power greater than ourselves. One that loves us and knows us intimately. We live in the presence of our Creator, mindful that every act, decision and thought is meaningful. Prayer is quiet reflection and a sacred conversation that opens us to forgiveness, hope and renewed intentions. We listen and receive spiritual guidance. Praying our gratitude keeps us in the flow of Grace.

The Reading from Acts of the Apostles, tells us clearly that after the Ascension of Jesus, all the disciples devoted themselves with one accord to prayer. They would come to know the power of prayer!

Have you had experiences in your life of the power of prayer? Can you share that with family or friends?

SUN 21

Welcome Weekend
8:00 am Liturgy Church
9:45 am 45-min. Choir Reh. Church
10:30 am Liturgy Church

MON 22

8:15 am Autism Intervention Rm 6
10:00 am John Jakubiak
Funeral Visitation Church
11:00 am John Jakubiak
Funeral Church
1:00 pm Sheepshead Group Rm 10

TUE 23

8:15 am Autism Intervention Rm 6
8:15 am Autism Intervention Rm 7
1:00 pm ART Guild Mtg. Rm 4
3:00 pm Food Pantry Rm 7
6:00 pm Finance Council Mtg. Virtual
6:30 pm Youth Group Rm 6
6:45 pm Boy Scouts - Tr. 612 Hall A

COMMUNITY LIFE

Welcome New Parishioners

April 2023

Dale & Katlin Andrejczak

Kyle Steinke & Delainey Smith

Our Condolences

...to the families and loved ones of John Jakubiak, Rosalind Boville, Rose Vos, and all others who have died. Please keep them in your prayers.

In Memoriam

In loving memory of

Liz Angoli

From

Angoli family and friends

Oktoberfest Meeting

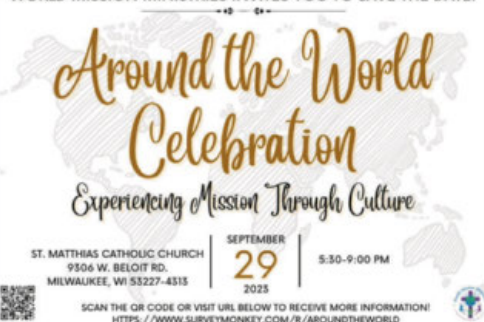
May 24

7:00 pm–8:00 pm

Topic: Hospitality and Volunteers

Our volunteers are a treasure as are our guests. All are welcome as we make plans for volunteers.

WORLD MISSION MINISTRIES INVITES YOU TO SAVE THE DATE!



FORMATION

Hunger Task Force Farm

Summer is fast approaching, and we have the perfect opportunity for you to soak up some sun! Join us on Monday, June 26, from 8:30 am–11:30 am at Hunger Task Force Farms (9000 S. 68th St., Franklin). Ages 16 and up are welcome but you will need to find your own transportation. Please sign up in the Parish Office by June 19, and we will send you the permission slip for parental consent. Don't forget to bring your work gloves and water bottles! We will gather at the Hunger Task Force Farm at 8:15 am for a brief opening prayer before we start our morning of service. We hope to see you there! For more info about the farm go to hungertaskforce.org/what-we-do/the-farm/.

PARISH LEADERSHIP

Trustee Nomination

Every parish in the State of Wisconsin, besides being a faith community, is also a legal corporation of Wisconsin. As such, it is subject to state corporation law, which means (among other things) it must have five trustees.

The archbishop and the vicar general of the archdiocese are ex-officio trustees in every parish of the archdiocese. The pastor/parish director of the parish is the third ex-officio trustee. The parish also has a trustee-treasurer and a trustee-secretary.

The term of Rebecca Porter, our trustee-treasurer, expires on June 30, 2023. Rebecca is willing to serve another term.

The pastor/parish director may nominate one candidate for the position. Accordingly, Nancie has nominated Rebecca Porter for the position of trustee-treasurer. Should anyone else desire nomination for this role, state law dictates that we follow this process: such a person must be an actual member of the parish, at least 25 years of age, and must receive the written support of at least 10 other adult parishioners. Nominations should be submitted to the Parish Office with the accompanying names and signatures of supporters no later than May 29, 2023. Please contact the Parish Office if you have any questions about this process.

According to state law, this notice will be published here for four weeks. Should there be other nominee(s), biographical information will be available the weekend of June 3-4 with an election held the weekend of June 10-11.

WED 24

8:15 am Autism Intervention Rm 6
9:30 am Communion Service Church
10:15 am Faith Group Social Hall C
6:00 pm Music Ministry Reh. Church
7:00 pm Oktoberfest Mtg. Rm 3

THU 25

8:15 am Autism Intervention Rm 6
8:15 am Autism Intervention Rm 7
12:00 pm Women's Grief Support Group Hall C

FRI 26

Office Closed

WORSHIP

Pentecost

Next weekend we will celebrate the Solemnity of Pentecost—the coming of the Holy Spirit—the birth of the Church. As members of the Body of Christ, it has become a tradition here at Our Lady of Lourdes for us to fill the room with various shades of red. You are all welcome and encouraged to wear red next weekend as we welcome the Holy Spirit in our midst.

Eucharistic Congress

The Milwaukee Archdiocese is sponsoring a Eucharistic Congress on Saturday, June 10, 2023, at the Mary Mother of the Church Pastoral Center. Registration for the event can be found at:

<https://archmil.regfox.com/archdiocesan-eucharistic-congress>

Bake Sale

Our Bake Sale to help the folks in Haiti will take place after all the Masses on June 10/11, the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi). We will accept all sorts of baked goods. In addition, you may also want to bake unleavened bread to donate. Baking this bread and/or buying this bread at the bake sale may add to your prayer for this sacred feast.

Unleavened Bread Recipe (makes 2 – 10" breads)

1 Cup Whole Wheat Flour ½ Cup White Flour
¾ Teaspoon Baking Soda 1/8 Teaspoon Salt
2 Tablespoons Brown Sugar

Mix the ingredients listed above together.

Cut in 2 tablespoons of shortening.

Then add 2 tablespoons honey mixed with ½ cup water.

If it is too dry, add a little more water,
just enough to make it sticky but not soupy.

Mix well. Knead a few times.

Roll out or pat with floured hands into 2-10" rounds.

Bake at 350 degrees for 5–7 minutes.

Scripture Readings for May 27/28

Pentecost

Acts 2:1-11 | Psalm 104 | 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13 | John 20:19-23

SAT 27

SUN 28

Hall of Honor
5:00 pm Liturgy

Church

Hall of Honor
8:00 am Liturgy
10:30 am Liturgy

Church
Church



OUTREACH

From St. Vincent de Paul

Today as we celebrate the feast of the Ascension we are reminded that Christ's saving work on earth continues through his disciples...and now through us.

Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we can bring peace to those who are hungry.

Revised and Renewed!

Come check out our OLOL Social Justice website page.

ololmke.org/social-justice/

New or improved content includes:

- Catholic Social Teaching, including short and engaging videos on the 7 Principles.
- Topics of racism, the environment, and non-violence with expanded info and action ideas.
- Quotes and prayers by respected voices of faith
- A vow of non-violence and reflections to help us live more peaceably. View a database (Gun Violence Archive) on mass shootings in America, updated daily.
- Events calendar/Get involved!

Keep checking in for frequent updates!

Upcoming Food Pantry Dates: May 23, June 6 and 20

Most needed items: bottled juice, condensed soup, canned meats, and oatmeal. Please watch the expiration dates. Non-perishable items only, please. Learn more at ololmke.org/food-pantry.

SPOTLIGHT

Calling All Disciples!

Here's the opportunity that you've been waiting for: **a chance to meet new people from another Catholic community and to fulfill Jesus' command to feed the hungry.**

During the school year, Marquette University students work in the meal program at All Saints Church on 25th and Capitol. They serve on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:00 pm–6:00 pm. All Saints has requested our help this summer when students are not there. Lourdes is committed for the following three weeks: June 20 and 22; July 18 and 20; and August 15 and 17. Volunteers work from 4:00 pm–6:30 pm, setting up, serving, and clean-up. Families are welcome with children from ages 10 and up.



If you would like to be a part of this ministry, follow these steps:

1. Go to the All Saints website at <https://allsaintsmke.org/>.
2. Scroll down about 2/3 toward the bottom on the front page. Find "Meal Program" and a photo of boy eating. Click the image and you will be taken to a SignUpGenius page.
3. Move the calendar to June, July, or August. Select one of the above dates and click **Sign Up**.
4. In the blue & white box, click **Sign Up**; it will change to **Selected**.
5. Click **Save & Continue**.
6. Enter your information.

This will be an opportunity for All Saints and Lourdes to get to know each other. Any questions, call the Parish Office at (414) 545-4316.

Sponsored by the Social Justice Committee

DISCIPLESHIP

The Discipleship Institute Presents

Lunch Bag Retreat: Letting the Sunshine In!
Available June 1—Register today for your kit!

Register and you will receive a "lunch bag" in which you will find food for your soul this summer.

Set aside a total of two hours this summer to reflect on scripture stories and how they relate to your life. Yes! Only two hours! Through this summer reflection—and possibly in your discussions with friends—you will come to learn how you make the decisions you make in life. You can then learn how to make decisions that "let the sunshine in" your life!

Pick a sunny day. Sit on your porch, patio, deck, or yard. Grab a cool drink and dive into the Scriptures. It will refresh mind, body and soul!

Register for any program at ololmke.org/discipleship-institute/ or by calling the Parish Office.

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