

**MAR 17, 2024**

**5th Sunday of Lent**



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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 - March 2024

	ACTUAL <u>as of 3/7/2024</u>	BUDGETED <u>for Mar.</u>
Reg. Envelopes .....	\$17,301.32	\$70,000.00
Offertory.....	\$915.00	\$2,500.00

## Budget Updates Fiscal Year: March 2024

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED
Operating Income .....	\$663,554.71	\$683,949.99
Operating Expenses .....	\$611,322.14	\$683,276.05

## Improvement Fund Updates

Beg. Balance 7/1/23...	\$128,503.08
Donations.....	\$30,466.74
Expenses .....	\$50.00
<b>Balance (3/7/2024)</b>	<b>\$158,944.82</b>

THANK YOU!

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

## 2023 Catholic Stewardship Appeal (1/9/2024)

Donations: ..... **\$27,674.00**  
Goal is \$42,840..... 64.60%

Donors: ..... **142**  
# of donors: 1,043..... 13.61%

DECIDE TO LEAD

[www.CatholicAppeal.org](http://www.CatholicAppeal.org)

# NOTES FROM DEB

## Holy Week

I would like to take this opportunity to invite everyone to participate in our Holy Week liturgies beginning next Sunday. Please consider being a part of this most sacred time of our religious year. Our prayer will be made more full and more vibrant with your presence. Please see the worship column in this week's bulletin for the wonderful way we will enter into Holy Week at the Passion Sunday liturgies.

## Holy Thursday – March 28

**7:00 pm:** Mass of the Lord's Supper including procession of oils, foot washing, stripping of the altar, and removal of the Blessed Sacrament from church.

## Good Friday – March 29

**12:00 pm:** Guided meditation on the Stations of the Cross in Church

**2:00 pm:** Green Corners Ecumenical group carries the cross through Greendale (see me for details)

**3:00 pm:** Green Corners Good Friday service at St. Alphonsus

**7:00 pm:** Friday of the Passion of the Lord – service in church including a presentation of the Passion and an opportunity to venerate the cross.

## Holy Saturday – March 30

**11:00 am:** Blessing of the Easter foods in church

**7:00 pm:** The Vigil of Easter—we tell the story of our faith, we light the Easter Fire, we bless ourselves, and we celebrate the Paschal Mystery—the Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

## Easter Sunday – March 31

**8:00 am:** Easter Sunday liturgy

**10:30 am:** Easter Sunday liturgy with a special gathering for young children.

Your shepherd,  
Deb Steppe

**SUN 17**

**MON 18**

**TUE 19**

8:00 am Liturgy Church  
9:00 am GIFT Hall  
10:30 am Liturgy Church  
11:30 am Passion Sunday  
Environment Church  
Changeover Church

8:15 am Autism Intervention Rm 5  
8:15 am Autism Intervention Rm 6  
1:00 pm Sheepshead Group Rm 10  
4:00 pm Sacred Movement  
Rehearsal Church  
6:30 pm Lenten Lunch Bag  
Retreat Virtual

8:15 am Autism Intervention Rm 5  
8:15 am Autism Intervention Rm 6  
10:30 am SVDP Mtg. Rm 3  
1:00 pm Deanery Mtg. Rm 10  
6:00 pm Adoption Support Rm 6  
6:30 pm Faith Sharing Group Rm 3  
6:30 pm GIFT Core Team Virtual

## COMMUNITY LIFE

### Our Condolences

...to the families and loved ones of Deacon Chester Moczydlowski and all others who have died. Please keep them in your prayers.

### In Memoriam

In loving memory of  
Jack Liebl  
From  
Anita Kowalski

In loving memory of  
Chester Moczydlowski  
From  
Leon & Carole Burzynski

### “ALL RISE!”

Just a reminder for those registered for the sold out bus trip to see “ALL RISE!” in Appleton, please meet in the east parking lot by 8:30 am on Saturday, March 23. See you then!

### Women's Spirituality Group Meeting

Wednesday, March 20  
6:30 pm–8:00 pm

Attention women of the parish. The Women's Spirituality Group would like any interested women to join us for discussion and reflection, lead by fellow parishioners, of next weekend's scripture readings. All women welcome!

## FORMATION

### Young Children's Easter Event

Easter Sunday during the 10:30 am liturgy, we will have a special Easter event for all children age 3-6 years old with prayer, the Easter story, music, and activities. Parents will need to register their children in the Lobby before the start of the 10:30 am Easter liturgy.



### Help needed for Preschooler's Easter Event

We are seeking people aged 14 or older to assist with the Preschooler's Easter Event which takes place on Easter Sunday during the 10:30 am liturgy. Our event coordinator, Justine Schwanz, will provide you with guidance. Kindly contact Steve Szymanski, Director of Child Ministry, if you would like to help.

## VIRTUE OF THE WEEK

### Faithfulness

Faithfulness is being loyal to our beliefs, remaining firm and steadfast regardless of what happens. When our faith is tested we stay strong, and learn from the experience. With the people we love, we are enduring and trustworthy. Faithful friendship is one of life's greatest treasures.

This week's Gospel invites us to move away from our tendency toward self-protection, strive for a more robust faith, exercise compassion toward those with weaker faith, and commit to belief in the fundamental article of Christian faith—resurrection from the dead. How have you grown in faithfulness this Lent? Did you learn something new about yourself?

**WED 20**

8:15 am Autism Intervention Rm 5  
8:15 am Autism Intervention Rm 6  
9:30 am Liturgy Church  
10:15 am Morning Faith Group Hall C  
6:00 pm Pastoral Council Mtg. Rm 3  
6:00 pm Vigil Choir Rehearsal Church  
6:30 pm Women's Spirituality Group Rm 4

**THU 21**

8:15 am Autism Intervention Rm 5  
8:15 am Autism Intervention Rm 6  
12:00 pm Women's Grief Support Group Hall C  
6:30 pm Stations of the Cross Church

**FRI 22**

**Office Closed**

## WORSHIP



Hosanna! Hosanna to the Son of David.  
Hosanna! Hosanna to the King of Kings.  
Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Next weekend, we celebrate Palm Sunday, also known as Passion Sunday. We begin our service by blessing the palms, hearing the words of the Processional Gospel, and then physically processing around the church. This is such a special tradition, and we want to strongly encourage all of you to participate. At the beginning of Mass, we will give you simple instructions and invite you to join us. We will have instruments and streamers for kids of all ages (that means adults, too), and you can also wave your palms to help add to the joy of the procession.

### All are welcome!

If you are here with family or friends, please process together.  
If you are here alone, please join a fellow parishioner.  
If you have trouble walking, please reach out for assistance.  
If you are in a wheelchair, someone will be happy to push you.  
Please don't let anything stop you from participating!

In preparation, take a few minutes this week to listen to our opening song – Hosanna to the Son of David by Tom Booth:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pTewdLXna2o>

### Scripture Readings for March 23/24

#### Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Mark 11:1-10 or John 12:12-16 | Isaiah 50:4-7 | Psalm 22 |  
Philippians 2:6-11 | Mark 14:1-15:47

## OUTREACH

### From St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel today, Jesus says "Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be. The Father will honor whoever serves me." When we help the poor, we are truly followers of Jesus, servant of the poor.

As you place your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul poor box, know that you are a sign of God's love to those who are suffering, and you give them Easter hope and joy.

### Grief Support

The Walking Through Grief Together group will meet twice next month on April 6 and April 20 in Room 3 starting at 11:00 am. No need to register. This group provides a safe setting for sharing and support with others going through loss.

### Upcoming Food Pantry Dates: March 26 and April 23

Most needed items: spaghetti sauce, Chef Boy R Dee, soup, canned potatoes, canned tomatoes, 5 oz. sized tuna, canned meat, condiments, and jelly. Thanks for your ongoing support to the pantry. It is because of you that we can provide food to the needy. God bless.

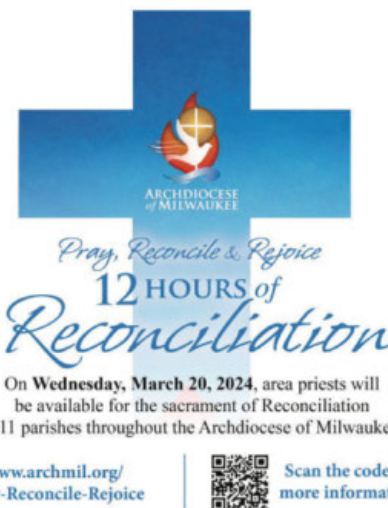
Please watch expiration dates.  
[ololmke.org/food-pantry](http://ololmke.org/food-pantry).

**SAT 23**

8:00 am First Eucharist Retreat Hall  
5:00 pm Liturgy Church

**SUN 24**

8:00 am Liturgy Church  
10:30 am Liturgy Church  
11:30 am Holy Thursday Altar of  
Repose Environment Church



[www.archmil.org/Pray-Reconcile-Rejoice](http://www.archmil.org/Pray-Reconcile-Rejoice)



Scan the code for more information.



## COMMUNICATIONS

## SPOTLIGHT

### Tech Terms and Tips

#### Why is it important to keep up-to-date on updates to your operating system and hardware?

Operating system (OS) updates provide fixes to possible bugs and security holes, along with cleaning up outdated software. Updating to the latest OS version guards against cybersecurity issues.

Beyond the OS, your devices also require updates to items such as service packs, and drivers, to insure the security and reliability of your computer, tablet, or phone. They offer the latest protection against malicious online activities.

Often your device will alert you to an update. It is important to address those in a timely fashion or set your devices to run updates automatically.

### Unsung Disciples: Deanery

A deanery is a geographic grouping of neighboring parishes. Lay representatives from each parish in the deanery meet to support the communication between the archdiocese and the parishes, encourage one another, and share resources, thus learning from one another how to enhance the individual parishes to forward the mission of the Church. Our Lady of Lourdes is one of 11 surrounding parishes in the Milwaukee Southwest Deanery. Paula Dahlman and I, both Pastoral Council members, are the representatives for Our Lady of Lourdes who attend the Deanery meetings. I have been proud to share the activities and programs OLOL offers. Members of the deanery have commented on the creativity and diversity of our programs. This is how members learn from each other and create a bond with the larger Church. It is an honor to serve Our Lady of Lourdes in this capacity.

Jacqueline Dombrowski, Pastoral Council member

## DISCIPLESHIP

### Book Discussion – The Meal That Reconnects: Eucharistic Eating and the Global Food Crisis

Mondays, April 8, 15, and 22

7:00 pm–8:30 pm

Room 10 or via Zoom

Discussion Facilitator: Tanya Gross

In *The Meal That Reconnects*, Dr. Mary McGann, RSCJ, invites readers to a more profound appreciation of the sacredness of eating and the destructiveness of the industrial food system that is supplying food to tables globally. She presents the food crisis as a spiritual crisis—a call to rediscover the theological, ecological, and spiritual significance of eating and to probe its challenge to Christian Eucharistic practice. McGann invites communities to reclaim the foundational meal character of eucharistic celebration while offering pertinent strategies for this renewal. Register on the Discipleship Institute web page at [ololmke.org/discipleship-institute/](http://ololmke.org/discipleship-institute/) or through the Parish Office. You have the option of Zoom or in person.

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