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SAT 4:00 PM

SUN 8:00 AM | 10:30 AM

WED 9:30 AM

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FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Parish Support - March 2025

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED
	<u>As of 3/26/25</u>	<u>for March</u>
Reg. Envelopes	\$66,953.57	\$65,416.67
Offertory	\$3,070.96	\$3,333.37

Budget Updates Fiscal Year: March 2025

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED
Operating Income	\$778,422.01	\$717,724.98
Operating Expense.....	\$673,290.14	\$689,429.46

Improvement Fund Updates

Beg. Balance 7/1/24..	\$169,666.89
Donations	\$250,379.64
Expenses.....	\$140,951.91
Balance (3/26/25)	\$279,094.62

THANK YOU!

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

Love One Another

(Quarter Ending 2/27/25)

Donations:.....	\$65,739.00
Parish Received	\$38,897.40

Deposited 2/21/25

*Thank you for your continued support
of this campaign!*

NOTES FROM DEB

Holy Week

It has been a prayerful Lent! We prayed with the Stations of the Cross, and Thursday evening Vespers. We've prayed the rosary, participated in the online Lent retreat, and many women participated in the women's retreat. Now, we come to our most sacred time of the year. We will enter prayerfully into Jesus' Passion. We will listen to Judas' betrayal and Peter's denial, reminding us again of the human heartbreak Jesus must have experienced during those most difficult days. On Holy Saturday night, we darken the church and light the Easter fire and watch the light of Christ fill our worship space. We will hear the scriptures—the stories of our faith. And on that night and on Easter Sunday morning our "Alleluias" will ring out with joy. Please join us and bring a friend!

Lots of Guests

This year the parish has been blessed with many guests joining us for weekend liturgy. That continues to be such a blessing for us. We are grateful for every new person in the church and every new viewer who watches us online. I have no doubt that we will also receive many guests next week for our Easter liturgies. Thank you in advance for making those folks feel at home. One of the comments I consistently receive from guests to liturgy at Our Lady of Lourdes is how welcoming we are as a community. I am so grateful to you all for that. May our welcomes be warm and wonderful next weekend.

Please know that I always hold you in prayer.

Your shepherd,
Deb Steppe

VIRTUE OF THE WEEK

Fortitude

Fortitude is strength of character. It is the will to endure no matter what happens with courage, confidence, and patience. Fortitude is deeply rooted in our will. We cultivate it by strengthening our resolve to face whatever comes. It springs from devotion to a purpose we believe to be real and important. It grows as we face and overcome obstacles. It keeps us going.

When you hear the Passion read today, focus on the people in the reading. Who shows the most fortitude? Who surprised you? How does fear affect our fortitude?

SUN 13

MON 14

TUE 15

Blood Drive Sign-up

8:00 am Liturgy (Marco)	Church
10:30 am Liturgy (Drenzek)	Church
11:30 am Environment Change	Church
2:00 pm Movement Ministry	
Rehearsal	Church

1:00 pm	Sheepshead Group	Rm 10
6:00 pm	Easter Vigil Choir	
	Rehearsal	Church
6:30 pm	Building & Grounds	Rm 3

10:30 am	SVDP Mtg.	Rm 3
5:00 pm	Easter Vigil	
	Run Through	Church
6:30 pm	Faith Sharing Group	Rm 3

A Day of Healing: Beyond Divorce

Whether you are still in the process of divorcing, or you have been divorced for years, this day of healing is offered to all. Explore divorce in a deeper, gentler way, including presentations that guide you in a relationship with yourself, with God, and with others.

Saturday, April 26, 2025 • 8:15 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Schoenstatt Sisters Retreat House
W284 N698 Cherry Ln, Waukesha, WI 53188

Cost: \$50 (includes lunch).
Financial assistance is available.

Note: Adults only please.
People of all faiths are welcome!

Pre-registration required:
archmil.regfox.com/dayofhealingregister

REGISTER HERE:



REGISTRATION DEADLINE:
Monday, April 21, 2025

Questions? Contact: Edell Schaefer
(ballintra@gmail.com)

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OUTREACH

Blood Drive

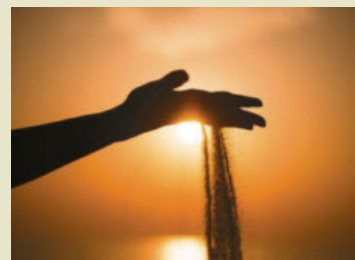
Tuesday, April 22
2:00-6:00 pm

Sign-up for our next Blood Drive after all Masses. Sign-up online at ololmke.org/blood-drives. All donors will receive a coupon for a pint of custard from Culver's. Thank you in advance for your lifesaving donation.

FORMATION

Good Friday Guided Meditation Service

Join us on Friday, April 18, at 12:00 pm for a reflective journey through the Stations of the Cross using sand as a visual and spiritual tool. Engage in prayer, meditation, and contemplation as we remember Christ's sacrifice. All are invited to this powerful Lenten experience.



Easter Prayer Service for Children Ages 3-6

It's time to celebrate—New Life in Jesus! We will sing, pray, hear the story of the First Easter and more during the 10:30 am liturgy, Easter Sunday, April 20. You can register your child as you enter church for the 10:30 am Mass on Easter. At the beginning of the liturgy, the children will be dismissed. We hope to see you!



RSVP for GIFT Spring Service Day on Saturday, April 26 Please RSVP and Register for the GIFT Spring Service Event by Sunday, April 20.

GIFT is teaming up with the Social Justice Committee for this session which takes place from 9:00 am–12:00 pm on Saturday, April 26. We will be gathering at Jackson Park to help in the Milwaukee Riverkeeper Spring Clean Up for the service event, so please dress appropriately for the weather. We will end with a pizza lunch from 11:30 am–12:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Register at



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WED 16

9:30 am Liturgy Church
10:15 am Morning Faith Group Hall BC
5:30 pm Triduum Movement
Ministry Rehearsal Church
6:00 pm Pastoral Council Mtg. Rm 3

THU 17

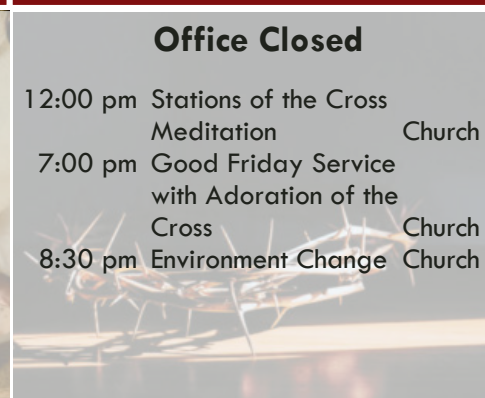
7:00 pm Holy Thursday
Liturgy (Burkert) Church
8:30 pm Environment Change Church



FRI 18

Office Closed

12:00 pm Stations of the Cross
Meditation Church
7:00 pm Good Friday Service
with Adoration of the
Cross Church
8:30 pm Environment Change Church



WORSHIP

Praying Holy Week

Passion Sunday begins what is traditionally called Holy Week. It consists of two distinct parts: Sunday through Thursday afternoon are still days of Lent. Thursday evening through Sunday evening composes the Triduum—the “Three Days,” considered to be the “high holy days” of the Church. These days invite us all to deeper prayer for our world, and, more importantly, for those who will be celebrating the Easter sacraments. We are asked to join our prayers, faith, longings and hope to celebrate the Paschal mystery with our faith community and Christian communities throughout the world.

The Triduum: One continuous prayer over three days!

Holy Thursday: At this liturgy we...

- welcome the sacred oils that have been blessed by our bishop at the cathedral, to be used for sacramental use throughout the year
- remember the story of the Passover of our Jewish ancestors
- follow Jesus by the humble service of washing each other's feet
- share in Jesus' life as we share the Eucharistic meal together
- leave in solemn silence to continue the liturgy of the Triduum in prayer

Good Friday: At this liturgy we...

- remember Christ's passion and death through scripture
- venerate the cross, bringing our own passions, deaths, and gratitude to bear
- leave once again in solemn silence to continue the liturgy in prayer

The Vigil of Easter: At this liturgy we...

- hear the stories of our faith that teach us who we are and how we are to live
- gather in darkness and anticipation, as the Easter (Paschal) candle is prepared, and experience the hope and joy of Christ's Light as it spreads throughout our worship space as the Exsultet is proclaimed in song
- baptize, confirm, celebrate first Eucharist and welcome new members into the Catholic Church
- celebrate and share the Eucharistic meal together
- go forth in joy and hope to share the light of faith with the world

Easter Sunday: Liturgies will be celebrated at 8:00 am and 10:30 am

Scripture Readings for April 19/20

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

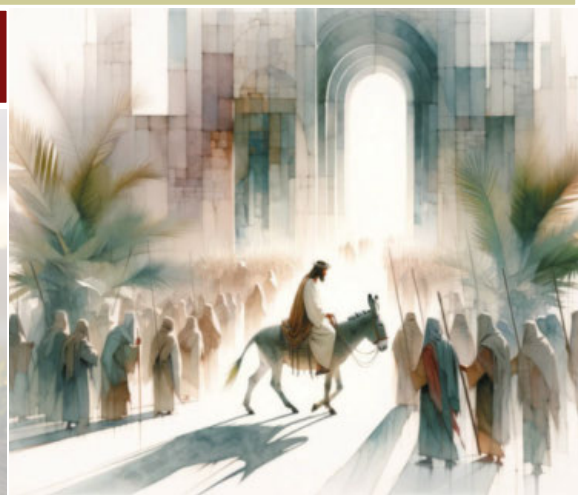
Acts 10:34a, 37-43 | Psalm 118 | Colossians 3:1-4 OR 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8 | John 20:1-9

SAT 19

11:00 am Easter Food Blessing Church
11:30 am OCIA Rehearsal Church
7:00 pm Liturgy (Burkert) Church

SUN 20

8:00 am Liturgy (Jurkus) Church
10:30 am Liturgy (Burkert) Church
10:30 am Children's Easter Service Rm 9



SPOTLIGHT

“The Most Segregated Hour”

On Friday, February 28, we at Our Lady of Lourdes were treated to an excellent presentation by the All Saints Gospel Choir of both Black and White Catholic parishioners. It was exhilarating. Just as important was the fellowship we had afterwards with All Saints members. A positive sign was that our new archbishop, Jeffrey Grob, and his mother attended the concert and stayed for the fellowship in our hall to meet and greet all who came. They stayed to the very end.

But it also reminded us of the division within our Christian communities. “11 o’clock on Sunday morning is one of the most segregated hours, if not the most segregated hour, in Christian America,” Martin Luther King Jr., once said.

It is one thing to bring this choir to us. It is another for us to go to them. Events are held at other central city Catholic parishes such as St. Francis of Assisi. We can donate our time to the St. Ben’s and All Saints meal programs. Seek out other opportunities to build a better understanding of people of other races and cultures perhaps through a dance or theatrical production. Even a television show might make a difference.

We all have a tendency to sit with people like ourselves rather than those different from ourselves at various functions. Don’t be afraid to bond with others. Remember that we are one people, all part of the body of Christ.

Terry Falk, Social Justice Committee

Join us this
Holy Week!

Holy Thursday – April 17
7:00 pm

Good Friday
Guided Meditation – April 18
12:00 pm

Good Friday – April 18
7:00 pm

Easter Vigil – April 19
7:00 pm

Easter Sunday – April 20
8:00 am & 10:30 am

DISCIPLESHIP

Discipleship Prayer for Holy Week

Lord God,

We tremble to think
That it was Jesus’ own friends who deserted him,
denied him and betrayed him.
Those who journeyed with him,
broke bread with him,
had their feet washed by him.
Give us strength, we pray as disciples,
To walk faithfully with Jesus.
Even when the road we walk is rocky
Even when the message of the cross seems like foolishness
And even when we feel deserted, denied and betrayed.
You, Lord, are always faithful.
We stumble, we become lost,
But you are steady and sure.
Give us the grace to endure our troubles,
So as to reveal to us the glory of Easter.

Amen.

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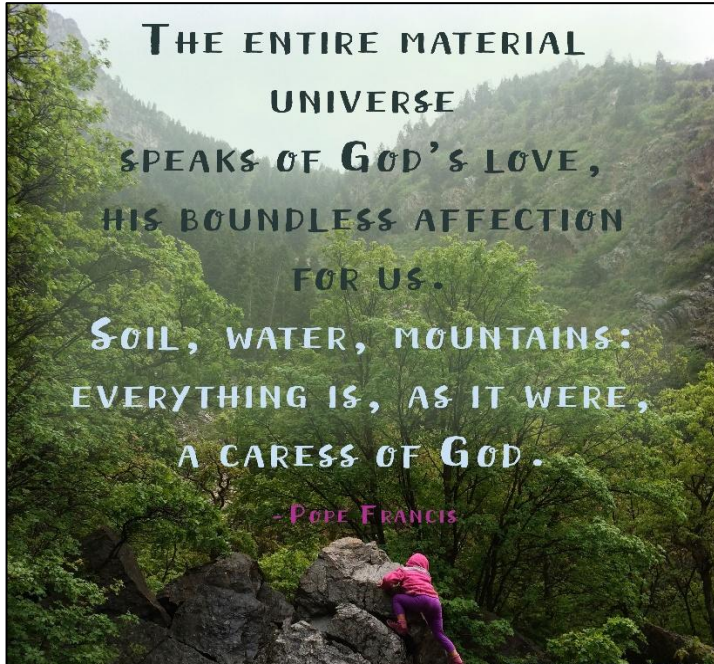
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EARTH DAY: APRIL 22



Why would a church care about the environment?

- On October 4, 2023, Pope Francis released *Laudate Deum*, an unprecedented follow-up document to his *Laudato Si'*, in which he challenges us to understand that we are all connected and that in our ecological crises we have a moral obligation to care for the environment and how that affects the most poor and vulnerable among us.
- Catholic Social Teaching states that we are stewards of the earth and the creatures that inhabit it.

Our Lady of Lourdes has several ways you can take action!

Action: GIFT & Social Justice Committee will be hosting a **Milwaukee Riverkeeper Spring Clean Up** on **Saturday, April 26**. [Sign up on our website \(www.ololmke.org/social-justice/\)](http://www.ololmke.org/social-justice/) or with this QR code:



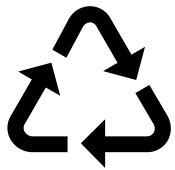
Where: Jackson Park Pavillion (9:00 am–11:15 am), lunch (11:30 am at OLOL)
Gloves and large trash bags provided. It's helpful if you bring a small pail or bag
Registration with MKE Riverkeeper is required (link is on the sign-up page)

Action: Our Lady of Lourdes is committed to recycling and has resources here at church! Please see the opposite page for more details



Action: We need **volunteers**! We are looking for parishioners who are willing to help with Our Lady of Lourdes' commitment to recycle. Please contact the office for more information (414-545-4316)

Action: Reach out to your Wisconsin and United States representatives and advocate for laws that will help protect our environment! Here is a link on how to find out who your representatives are: <https://www.house.gov/representatives/find-your-representative>



We have made recycling easier for you! We have bins near the south entrance of the building where toothbrushes, toothpaste tubes, prescription bottles, pens/pencils/markers/crayons, eye glasses, and soda can tabs can be dropped off.

READ INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY:

1. prescription bottle bin: bottles are used by the Bread of Healing Clinic
 - ONLY prescription and vitamin bottles are accepted
 - NO LABELS or STICKY residue on bottles
 - Place bottles directly in bin (NOT in plastic bags, please)
2. eye glass bin: this collection is given to the Lions Club
3. soda tab bin: the tabs are collected and then money from the weighed aluminum is used by Ronald McDonald House.
4. oral hygiene bin: this collection goes to Terracycle.
 - empty toothpaste tubes
 - all types of toothbrushes
 - empty floss containers
5. used writing utensil bin: these are donated to Staples recycling program
 - pens
 - markers
 - pencils
 - crayons (must be in their own separate bag)