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to the world.



## THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

“And this is the will of the one who sent me, that I should not lose anything of what he gave me, but that I should raise it on the last day. For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in him may have eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day.”  
- Jn 6:39-40

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### EUCCHARIST:

**SAT** 4:00 PM

**SUN** 8:00 AM | 10:30 AM

**WED** 9:30 AM

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# FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

## Parish Support — October 2025

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED
	<u>As of 10/26/25</u>	<u>for October</u>
Reg. Envelopes.....	\$42,057.20	\$61,916.67
Offertory .....	\$2,792.62	\$3,750.00

## Budget Updates Fiscal Year: October 2025

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED
Operating Income .....	\$363,751.91	\$292,653.32
Operating Expense.....	\$257,158.14	\$311,532.75

## Improvement Fund Updates

Beg. Balance 7/1/25..	\$346,205.22
Donations .....	\$64,222.53
Expenses.....	\$14,145.26
<b>Balance (10/26/25)</b>	<b>\$396,282.49</b>

**THANK YOU!**

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

## Love One Another (Quarter Ending 8/30/25)

Donations:.....	<b>\$19,389.00</b>
Parish Received .....	<b>\$11,327.40</b>
Deposited 8/25/25	

**Our next distribution of LOA funds will occur in late November.**

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

## NOTES FROM DEB

Greetings all,

I have lots of good stuff to talk about!

First, it is with great joy that I announce that Tanya Gross will be our next director of faith formation! From Oktoberfest to the Worship Team and so much more, Tanya has been a faithful member of Our Lady of Lourdes. Her love for the parish and her connections with so many of us will serve her well in her new position. Please hold her in prayer as she begins these wonderful new steps of her discipleship.

On Wednesday, November 5, we will have a presentation for those who are looking toward enrolling in Medicare. Parishioner Amy Waldoch, a certified elder benefit specialist with the State of Wisconsin, will help us navigate the ins and outs of Medicare, Parts A, B, & C, and enrollment. Amy will provide objective information, and no sales pitches will be involved.

And you don't need me to tell you that the preaching here at Our Lady of Lourdes is outstanding. Our 10 priests and Deacon Bill inspire us, challenge us, and console us in so many beautiful ways. Going forward, if they give their permission, we will begin recording the homilies at Mass. These can be accessed on our website under the worship tab.

This continues to be an amazing parish filled with wonderful, caring, generous disciples. It is such a joy to be here. Please know of my prayers for each of you.

Your shepherd,  
Deb Steppe

## VIRTUE OF THE WEEK

### Hope

Hope is looking to the future with trust and faith. It is optimism in the face of adversity. Without hope, we lose our will to live fully. Hope gives us the courage to keep moving forward. It can be elusive when we have suffered often, yet it is the light that can redeem our dreams. With hope, we know we are not alone. There are gifts to be gleaned from all that happens. With hope, we find the confidence to try and try again.

In the second reading, Paul strengthens the disciples' hope for new life by explaining how the Spirit enables and testifies to their new identity as children of God. How do you strengthen your hope and encourage others to do so?

## SUN 2

*House of Peace Holiday Food Collection*  
*Dia de los Muertos Ofrenda*  
8:00 am Liturgy (Burkert) Church  
9:00 am GIFT Hall  
10:30 am Liturgy (Burkert) Church  
6:00 pm Music Rehearsal Rm 6

## MON 3

1:00 pm Sheepshead Group Rm 10

## TUE 4

3:00 pm Food Pantry Rm 7  
5:30 pm Pink Umbrella Hall A  
6:30 pm Faith Sharing Group Rm 3  
6:30 pm *Love's Braided Dance*  
Book Discussion Rm 6

## COMMUNITY LIFE

## FORMATION

### In Memoriam

In loving memory of  
Marion Holtz

From  
Happy birthday, Mom  
Your loving children

### Women's Spirituality Group Meeting

Wednesday, November 5  
6:30 pm–8:00 pm

Discussion and reflection, lead by fellow parishioners, of next weekend's scripture readings. **All women welcome.**

## CELEBRATE ★ VETERAN'S DAY

In gratitude, the school children of St. Greg's invite all veterans to Mass and Breakfast!

Thursday, November 6th

Mass at 8:15am

Breakfast served by our students following Mass

Please RSVP at [www.stgregsmil.org](http://www.stgregsmil.org) or call the parish office at 414-543-8292

Veterans do not have to be parishioners, and may bring one guest

CELEBRATE ★ REMEMBER ★ HONOR

### House of Peace Holiday Food Boxes

It's time for the GIFT community to pack holiday meal boxes for Capuchin Community Services. Thanks to our OLOL family, we filled 215 boxes last year! We are hoping that you continue your generosity this year. Tags are on the bulletin board in the south hallway with items that are needed for the boxes. We ask you to consider donating the contents of one of these tags. Please bring your items to OLOL by November 12 and leave them on the carts in the hallway. GIFT participants will sort your donations and pack the boxes at the November 16 GIFT session. Please get the exact items noted on the tag and check for expiration dates. Thank you in advance for helping us with this service project.

### Prayer for the Dead, Explained!

It may seem strange to pray for someone who is already dead and who, according to our earthly reckoning of time, has already undergone judgment. But God is not subject to the constrictions of time as we understand them. Our prayers for the dead are, like our prayers for the living, an expression of charity and the unity that exists between all members of the Body of Christ.

Prayer for the dead is a practice which not only predates Catholicism but predates Jesus Christ, as we see in the Second Book of Maccabees (2 Maccabees 12:42-45).

"By virtue of the 'communion of saints,' the Church commends the dead to God's mercy and offers her prayers, especially the holy sacrifice of the Eucharist, on their behalf," says the Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC 1055).

The most common Catholic prayer for the dead is as follows: "Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace."

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## WED 5

9:30 am Mass Church  
10:15 am Faith Group Social Hall C  
6:00 pm Medicare 101 Hall  
6:30 pm Women's Spirituality Rm 6  
7:00 pm Worship Team Mtg. Rm 3

## THU 6

9:00 am Annual Pledge  
Mailing Prep Rm 4  
3:30 pm Spirit & Grace Choir Church  
5:30 pm Pink Umbrella Hall A  
5:30 pm Pink Umbrella Rm 6

## FRI 7

**Office Closed**

## WORSHIP

Music is considered the Universal Language—an incredible means of communication between people. It helps us experience life in powerful ways, taking us to greater emotional heights than the spoken word can do. We have several special music nights coming up, so mark your calendar now and make plans to join us for any or all of the following events—all taking place at OLOL. We really hope to see you there!

**Saturday, November 15, 4:00 pm** – Join us as members of the music ministry at All Saints Catholic Church lead us in our weekend prayer. Whether the song selections are familiar or new to you, your prayer will be enriched, calling you to sing and clap along. This Mass will be live-streamed.

**Sundays, November 30, December 7, 14, and 21, 4:00 pm – Advent Evening Prayer.** Join Parish Director Deb Steppe, Deacon Bill Goulding and our own OLOL music ministers for a half hour of quiet, reflective, empowering prayer each Sunday in Advent.

**Friday, December 5, 6:30 pm – Humble Night: Advent and Christmas Concert.** OLOL parishioners, Tom and Barb Webber, will share original compositions from their newly-released album, “Humble Night”, along with other Webber favorites. This evening is a perfect start to your Advent journey. Admission is a free-will donation of any amount (\$10-20 is suggested). Anyone 16 and under is free. CDs will be available for purchase.

**Friday, February 6, 7:00 pm – A Night on Broadway.** Join parishioners, Jim and Anne Van Deusen, along with several of their theatre friends, as they share an evening of Broadway tunes. You won’t want to miss these singers and musicians, along with this special way of storytelling. A free-will donation will be collected.

**Friday, February 27, 6:30 pm – All Saints Choir Black History Presentation.** We are blessed to have an on-going relationship with All Saints Catholic Church in Milwaukee, and for the third consecutive year, they will lead us in a celebration of black history. After getting a taste of their style in November, be sure to come hear them in a concert setting. A free-will donation will be collected.

**Scripture Readings for November 8/9 - Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**  
Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12 | Psalm 46 | 1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17 | John 2:13-22

## OUTREACH

### Upcoming Food Pantry Dates: November 4 and 18

Most needed items: canned fruit and vegetables, all varieties, canned tuna, condiments (mustard, catsup, salad dressing, etc.), and boxed potatoes.

Thanks for your ongoing support to the pantry. God bless.

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

## VOLUNTEER

### Volunteer Opportunity

Do you love the smell of freshly cut lawn? Do you like the feeling of zipping along with the wind in your hair? We have the perfect opportunity for you! One of our great grass cutting volunteers will be hanging up his ear plugs and safety glasses and we are seeking new people to continue to keep our lawn looking sharp.

This opportunity does require a skill level of using a commercial grade, zero turn lawnmower. It’s not something most people have at home; however, if you have an interest and desire to learn, Ken Marshman will provide you with lessons to safely use our mowers.

The time commitment is 1.5 hours a week from late April through around the end of October. Our lawn takes about 3 hours/week to cut. If we have a few people interested, it will assist with rotating and covering for people taking vacations. Please contact Ken Marshman by calling the office to express an interest or to ask any questions.

**SAT 8**

**SUN 9**

*Community Weekend*  
*House of Peace Holiday Food Collection*  
*Dia de los Muertos Ofrenda*  
4:00 pm Liturgy (Suriano) Church

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*House of Peace Holiday Food Collection*  
*Dia de los Muertos Ofrenda*  
8:00 am Liturgy (Abert) Church  
10:30 am Liturgy (Burkert) Church

## COMMUNICATIONS

## SPOTLIGHT

### Holiday Season Cybersecurity Tips

1. Keep all devices up to date with basic security measures.
2. Donate only to charities you know.
3. Keep an eye on your bank accounts.
4. Watch out for delivery notifications with links for packages you are not expecting (UPS, FedEx, USPS, Amazon).
5. Pay close attention to the websites you visit and shop on. It's safest to only use those you trust.
6. Be wary of ads, giveaways, and contests that seem too good to be true.



### The Joy of Singing

I have always loved singing. It's been enjoyable to me since I was a little girl. It brings me joy. I love to sing different types of songs. My favorite is to rehearse and sing in the Spirit & Grace Choir. It's my favorite because I feel like it brings me closer to God. Singing with the radio also brings me joy. If it's a beautiful day, put the windows down a little, and belt out a tune! I like "Smooth" by Santana and Rob Thomas. I also enjoy singing at home. My daughter has a very eclectic taste in music. She enjoys a lot of the music that I enjoy.

In the house that I grew up in, there was never a lack of music. From show tunes to Top 40, the turntable was constantly spinning! My mother always used to say that whatever she's doing, she's having fun! Even if she's taking the garbage out or doing the dishes. To me, it's similar to creating your own joy. One of my sisters in law made her a bumper sticker that says "Are we having any fun yet?"

I think that it's important for everyone to create their own joy. For me, that is singing. For other people, it's other things or activities. I strongly encourage anyone to try our next specialty choir. The Christmas Choir starts on Monday, December 1, from 6:00 pm–7:15 pm. If you have any further questions, call or email Anne VanDeusen.

Mary Alston  
Pastoral Council

## DISCIPLESHIP

### The Little Blue Book for Advent

Available on the weekend of November 15 and 16  
Free will offering suggested

This book will be your Advent companion, and you can take it with you anywhere. The left-hand page is like a buffet table with a variety of thoughts about the Advent season. The right-hand page is where we will reflect on the scriptures. Commit to a daily prayer time this Advent season and allow this Little Blue Book to be your guide. God's living Word can change your day—and your life!

### Getting Ready to Hear Matthew

Tuesday, November 18 | Room 10 | 6:30pm  
Facilitated by: Jim Gill

Join us in an overview of the gospel of Matthew – which will begin as we start the new church year on the First Sunday of Advent. This is an excellent session for lectors and anyone in bible study groups.

The Gospel of Matthew introduces Jesus as the long-awaited Messiah, King of the Jews, and the fulfillment of Old Testament prophecy. The book was written to a Greek-speaking Jewish audience and establishes Jesus' royal lineage and authority. This gospel emphasizes Jesus' connection to the prophets and highlights His role as Emmanuel – God with us.

Registration is required and can be done at [ololmke.org/discipleship-institute/](http://ololmke.org/discipleship-institute/) or by calling the Parish Office.

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