



5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass and Communion Services

WEEKEND

Sat: 4:00 pm

Sun: 8:00 am | 10:30 am

WEEKDAY

1st and 3rd Wed: 9:30 am Mass

2nd, 4th, and 5th, Wed: 9:30 am

Communion Service

(Except on holy days or communal reconciliation during Advent and Lent. Please check the Parish Calendar.)



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Notes from Deb

Catholic Stewardship Appeal

Next weekend we will kick off the Catholic Stewardship Appeal. Leaning into Archbishop Grob’s background of growing up on a farm, the theme of this year’s campaign is “Planting Seeds. Harvesting Hope.” This is the major fund-raising appeal for the archdiocese and supports the following ministries:

- Forming priests, deacons, and lay leaders
- Strengthening parish ministries and promoting evangelization
- Serving those in need
- Supporting Catholic schools and parish religious education

While we at Our Lady of Lourdes do much to build God’s kin-dom, we cannot do it all! The archdiocese serves people across 10 counties in Wisconsin and supports over 40 different ministries. Catholic Charities alone has adult day services, refugee and immigration services, adoption services, community mental health services and so much more.

Thanks to your support, the archdiocese serves thousands of people every year. I ask that you prayerfully consider a donation to help sustain these many ministries. Thank you!

Your shepherd,  
Deb Steppe

## Calendar

### Sunday, February 8

*Celebrating Our Lady of Lourdes Feast Day  
Community Weekend  
Homeless Collection  
Art and Mosaic Intake*

8:00 am	Mass (Schramm)	Church
10:30 am	Mass (Lewis) (Baptism)	Church

### Monday, February 9

11:30 am	Resurrection Choir	Rm 9
1:00 pm	Sheepshead Group	Rm 10
6:30 pm	Building and Grounds	Rm 3

### Tuesday, February 10

1:00 pm	Art Guild	
	Open Studio	Rm 4
3:00 pm	Food Pantry	Rm 7
5:30 pm	Pink Umbrella	Rm 7
6:30 pm	Season for Nonviolence Prayer Service	Church

### Wednesday, February 11

7:30 am	St. Ben's Meal Prep	Kitchen
9:30 am	Communion Service	Church
10:15 am	Morning Faith Group	Hall C
7:00 pm	GASIC	Rm 9

### Thursday, February 12

9:00 am	Stewardship Mailing Preparation	Rm 4
5:30 pm	Pink Umbrella	Rm 7
6:30 pm	Social Justice Cmte.	Rm 3

### Friday, February 13—Office Closed

### Saturday, February 14

4:00 pm	Mass (Burkert)	Church
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### Sunday, February 15

8:00 am	Mass (Burkert)	Church
10:30 am	Mass (Suriano)	Church
10:30 am	OCIA Reflection	Rm 3
11:30 am	Environment Change	Church

## Stewardship Update

### Parish Support - December 2025

	ACTUAL as of 1/22/26	BUDGETED for January
Reg. Envelopes	\$75,270.32	\$87,916.67
Offertory	\$2,280.91	\$3,750.00

### Budget Updates Fiscal Year: January 2026

	ACTUAL	BUDGETED
Op. Income	\$637,974.18	\$587,063.31
Op. Expenses	\$538,012.98	\$561,117.11

### Improvement Fund Updates

Beg. Balance 7/21/25	\$346,205.22
Donations	\$79,389.67
Expense	\$29,293.26
Balance (1/22/26)	\$396,301.63

## Community Life

### Our Condolences

...to the families and loved ones of Audreyan Springer, Michael Cassidy, John Zaganczyk Jr., and all others who have died. Please keep them in your prayers.

### In Memoriam

In loving memory of **Ben Litwin**

From

Marilyn Bresnahan	Kevin & Jennifer Hackbarth
Louis Kerns	Jeff & Nancy Mueller
Chris Stelter	Paul & Peggy Olson
Thomas Maher	Jeff & Sue Litwin
Tom Hubred	Gary & Allison Lake
Phil & Mary Juco	Debbie & Joe Flees
David & Jackie Vnuk	Connie & Mary Hatney Young

## Virtue of the Week

### Humanity

Humanity is an attitude of caring and mercy towards all people. We all breathe in the same air. We all cherish our children's future. We all suffer and rejoice. Each one of us is irreplaceable. We lose our humanity whenever we generalize about a group of people and separate ourselves from them. We tap into our humanity when we put ourselves in others' shoes. We have genuine concern for their welfare. Our humanity grows as we serve others.

Salt, light, Jesus uses these images to describe how God has designed human behavior to function. Shine to show the wonder of God which is in you! Can you name an inhumanity that exists today? Can you do something to bring light to the situation?

**For 50 years, Wednesdays have meant something special here.**



## Formation

### Next GIFT Session – Active Christianity: Faith is the Driving Force - February 22, 2026

Mike Kolz, a Theology teacher for 40 plus years at the high school level, will be our next presenter. Join us as he talks about Christianity being a faith that requires action. As we try to walk in the footsteps of our Lord, it is expected that we do as Jesus did. Jesus said, "Love one another as I have loved You." To love as a Christian, we are called to actively serve. In this session, we will discuss the ways we can emulate the path and actions of Jesus in our effort to bring about the Kingdom here on Earth.

If you do not regularly attend GIFT and wish to attend, please call the Parish Office for details.

### 9th and 10th Grade Retreat

Our 9th and 10th graders will be on retreat on Saturday, February 28, from 9:30 am–5:00 pm at Our Lady of Lourdes. If you have a teen in these grades and have not gotten information about this retreat, please contact Tanya Gross as soon as possible. Please remember to keep these youth in prayer.

We are also looking for 11th and 12th graders who may want to come back as peer leaders for this retreat. Contact Tanya if you are interested in being a peer leader.

### Youth Advisory Council

We had our first meeting and brainstormed a bunch of ideas. Now we need to put some plans around those ideas. Anyone in grades 7-12 can join us on Thursday, March 5, from 6:30 pm–7:30 pm in Room 9 to help with the planning. Please contact Tanya Gross with any questions.

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## Worship

### Lent is just around the corner!

It's hard to believe that Lent is just a week-and-a-half away. We bid good-bye to the Alleluia for a while and look for music that enhances the messages found in the Lenten scriptures and our added rituals and prayer experiences. Our music planning team has chosen several new or newer-to-us pieces for this season. We encourage you to listen to some of the following songs—both in preparation for your participation when we gather and to help you look for shalom during your personal prayer and reflection time.

**Take These Ashes/To the Desert** – Sarah Hart  
**Into the Desert** – Curtis Stephan, Sarah Hart  
**My Soul Is Thirsting** – Bob Hurd  
**I Am the Resurrection and the Life** – Bob Hurd  
**Radiant Light** – Rufino Zaragoza  
**Peace on Earth** – Bob Hurd  
**Daylight's Ending** – Steve Angrisano

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<https://youtu.be/ASSdMh1Xc20?si=cUB63wjZg5QBmkvn>

### Lenten Prayer Offerings – Mark Your Calendar

Just a reminder and another invitation to take some time out of your week and join us for the following prayer times. These are great opportunities to center yourself, refocus your energy and be encouraged by the reflections revolving around Shalom.

- Ash Wednesday – February 18 – 12:00 pm and 7:00 pm
- Evening Prayer – February 19, 26, and March 5, 12, 19 – 6:30 pm
- Lenten weekends – February 21/22, February 28/March 1, March 7/8, 14/15, and 21/22
- Reconciliation – March 11 – 12:00 pm and 7:00 pm

See the bulletin and parish calendar for Stations of the Cross and other prayer opportunities throughout the season.

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## Spotlight

### Open Wide Our Hearts: Baskets and Bread

Having heard the story of the loaves and fish many times, I thought I knew the ending. I never thought to ask, "What did they do with the twelve baskets of bread that were left?" Did they let the bread dry up? I know that's not what happened. I know, because here I am, a Christian. I have been fed from those baskets. The apostles took the bread and fed the world with the Word of God and the Bread of Life. Perhaps at Baptism each of us is given a basket. Do we let the bread dry out, or like Peter, do we declare our love for Jesus and heed his command to "Feed my sheep."

### An Invitation

#### All Saints Choir – Black History Celebration

February 27 | 6:30 pm, followed by fellowship | Our Lady of Lourdes Church

Join us for an evening of energizing music and singing while learning about Black history and relaxing with friends. **Admission is free.** A donation of hygiene items to be distributed through All Saints Church is suggested. Register at [ololmke.org/social-justice/](https://ololmke.org/social-justice/) or call the Parish Office.



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## Discipleship

### Lent is Coming!

Lent begins on February 18 and there will be many opportunities to grow as a disciple of Jesus Christ. This Lent, our faith community will focus on the theme of "shalom". What is the meaning of shalom? Isn't this a Jewish greeting?

The full meaning of shalom is more than just "peace" and includes concepts like wholeness, completeness, well-being, security, and prosperity. Derived from a Hebrew root meaning "to be complete," shalom encompasses a state of being where everything is intact, nothing is missing, and relationships—with oneself, others, and God—are put right. It can be used as a greeting or farewell, with the speaker wishing the other person a full sense of well-being, or it can describe a state of no conflict, such as a peace treaty between nations. As a faith community, we will work together this season to achieve "shalom."

### Upcoming Discipleship Events

#### The Little Black Books for Lent

Available in the lobby beginning the weekend of February 7/8 | Free will offering suggested.

The Little Black Book for Lent 2026 is a popular, pocket-sized daily devotional book. This little book will guide us through prayer, fasting, and reflection on Jesus' Passion. This year the focus is on the Gospel of Mark, with short, scripture-based readings and reflections. Developed by the late Bishop Ken Untener, it encourages about six minutes of daily quiet time during your Lenten journey. Call the parish office if you need to have the book sent to you.

#### Stations of the Cross (Online)

Friday, February 20 | 6:30 pm | Online Event – ZOOM

Please join us for a unique prayer experience, all from the comfort of your warm and cozy home. We will walk the Stations of the Cross online using prayer, music, and visuals. This is a great way to begin the Lenten journey. You must register for this event at [ololmke.org/discipleship-institute/](https://ololmke.org/discipleship-institute/) or by calling the Parish Office.

#### Lent Evening Prayer Service

Deacon Bill Goulding and Deb Steppe will alternate hosting Evening Prayers throughout the season of Lent at 6:30 pm on the following Thursdays: February 19, 26, March 5, 12, and 19. Our theme will be "Shalom."

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## Outreach

### St. Ben's Meal Program

We serve at St. Benedict the Moor's meal program on Wednesday, February 11. Please bring food donations to the Parish Office on Monday, Tuesday, or no later than 3:00 pm on Wednesday.

[ololmke.org/st-bens/](http://ololmke.org/st-bens/)

### Upcoming Food Pantry Dates:

#### February 10 and 24

Most needed items: personal hygiene, condiments (please **no yellow mustard**), and jelly. Remember to check expiration dates.

Additionally, a sincere thank you to everyone for supporting the pantry. Because of your efforts we have been able to provide basic needs for many.

[ololmke.org/food-pantry](http://ololmke.org/food-pantry)

### Human Concerns

In 2025 our parishioners saved over 55 pounds of pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald House in Wauwatosa. These tabs, along with others collected throughout eastern Wisconsin, helped raise a total of \$50,000, which is being used to support the families staying at the house. Your caring spirit is helping others while also keeping these tabs out of the landfills. Many thanks from the Human Concerns members and the families at RMH.

## Social Justice

### Season for Nonviolence

Watching the people of Minneapolis respond to the violence in their community, we are inspired and in awe. We imagine being in their position and wonder if we are ready to live our commitment to live a nonviolent life. How did they find the courage, strength, and discipline? When, and if, violence comes to our community, will we be prepared? Nonviolence is a skill that is learned and practiced through small daily steps, so that when faced with a difficult situation, we respond in alignment with our values.

The Active Nonviolence Corner is launching OLOL's second Season For Nonviolence. Check out [ololmke.org/active-nonviolence-corner/](http://ololmke.org/active-nonviolence-corner/) to experience interactive prayer and meditations, the 10 commandments of nonviolence, learn more about a nonviolent lifestyle, and most importantly, what we can do now to further peace in our world. Let's be ready when the spotlight or cell phone camera turns on us.

## Service Opportunities

### Teen Service Program (Grades 7-12)

Each month, we are offering opportunities to serve both our parish and the greater Milwaukee community—an amazing way to live out our faith in real, meaningful ways. Please contact Tanya Gross with questions or interest.

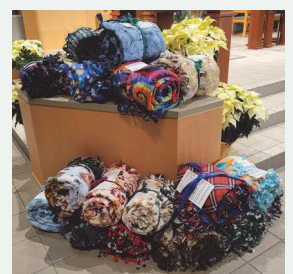
### February – Valentine's Day Cards for Veterans

Join us in spreading kindness this Valentine's Day! We're partnering with the Milwaukee Homeless Veterans Initiative (MHVI) to create heartfelt cards for veterans in our community. Drop in any time between 6:00 pm-8:00 pm on Thursday, February 5, in Room 10 and bring your creativity! No RSVP needed.

### March – Food Sort at Feeding America

Looking for something to do in March? We only have 8 spots left for Feeding America on Saturday, March 14, from 9:00 am-11:30 am. Kids as young as 10 can participate in this one as long as there is an adult accompanying them.

A warm **thank you** to all who came out in the cold weather on Saturday, January 24, to make fleece blankets for the homeless. We had 28 people make 23 blankets to donate to Repairers of the Breach and the Guest House!



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