



Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Church

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WEEKEND MASS

Upper Church

Saturday, 5:00 pm

Sunday 8:00 am, 10:30 am, 5:00 pm

WEEKEND CONFESSIONS

Saturday, 3:30-4:30 pm

Sunday, 9:00-10:00 am

DAILY MASS

Monday, 8:30 am, Lower Church

Tuesday, 12:00 pm, Lower Church

Wednesday, 6:00 pm Upper Church

Thursday, 10:00 am, Upper Church

Friday, 10:00 am, Lower Church

DAILY CONFESSIONS

Upper Church

Wednesday, 4:30-5:30 pm

Or by appointment

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

First Friday, 11am-5pm, Lower Church

Wednesday, 7am-5pm, Upper Church

Thursday, 7-8 pm, Lower Church

January 22, 2023

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Last week at Mass you will have noticed a marked improvement in the sound system in our Upper Church.

Creating an effective sound system for a church like the new OLR is a complicated business. The plaster walls provide a "hard" acoustic. The sound bounces around and reverberates. This is good for music, but bad for the spoken word. Therefore, to balance this and create an environment that is good musically and for the spoken word is a real challenge.

When the church was built, we contracted with a first rate sound engineer whose advice was to mount large sound buffering panels to all the interior walls to deaden the acoustic, then to fill the "deadened" space with amplified "artificial" sound. The building committee vetoed this solution because the buffering panels were ugly and the natural sound of the music would be hindered.

The result was a "second best" acoustical solution. We have lived with this for six years and people have been very patient with the fact that our acoustics were less than best.

Last year one of our parishioners proposed a solution. He knew of a firm of acoustical engineers who specialize in our kind of problem: a big space with a hard acoustic. We contracted with them to come and assess the problem and propose a solution.

The results from worship last week were a resounding thumbs up from the congregation. I believe we have solved the problem!

The only downside is the cost. It was not cheap to install a new sound system. One family has already donated a large part of the cost. The remaining debt on this work is \$45,000.

If you like the new sound system would you consider making a special gift to OLR to help us with the cost? You can do this by making a single new, designated donation or if you wish to make a pledge for a monthly designated gift you may do so. If the Lord leads you to help in this way, please be in touch with Fr. Richard at the parish office before the end of February so we can plan the expenditure.

Your pastor,
Fr. Longenecker

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Parish Operating Financials

Weekend Collections for Jan. 8, 2023

Needed: \$ 19,000.
Received: \$ 26,647.
Surplus: \$ 7,647.

Weekend Collections for Jan. 15, 2023

Needed: \$ 19,000.
Received: \$ 17,263.
Shortfall: \$ -1,737.

Fiscal Year-to-Date Collections

Through Week #29 in the Fiscal Year
Beginning July 1, 2022

Needed: \$ 551,000.
Received: \$ 581,453.
Surplus: \$ 30,453.

Diocesan Second Collection

For January 22, 2023 will be for
the Church in Latin America.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Nancy Alibozek, Felix Almaraz, Barbara Andersen, Ruth Ballard, Laurie Bernard, Jim Bever, Sandra Brock, John Bruce, OFS, Megan Burgess, Will Busby, Martha Catel, Claudia Caldwell, Alex Camp, Carson Family, Kathleen Crawford, Margaret Culin, Rose Cusumano, Christy Dias, Joseph Donovan, Marian Eleazer, Sarah & Teresa Fuller, Larry & Cynthia Good, Michael Granger, Phillip Greene, Ed Harden, Janet Hardy, Donald Hargis, Theresa Hargreaves, Kathy Hess, Kathy Illingworth, Ingrid Ireland, Bob Jackowski, Bethe Kitchen, Kenneth Landgrover, Gerry Loesch, John Loesch, Katherine Lowry, Anna Lunn, Madeline McKiernan, Dianne Morrison, Marjorie Munson, Mrs. That Nguyen, Kim Orr, Marlowe Pastor, Dcn. Ray & Nancy Perham, Thien Pham, Andres Prestoza, Jacob and Jaxson Rivera, David Rubardt, Sonam Sherpa, Nancy and Earl Smith, Frank Striplin, Peter Stryker, Tedrick Family, Mary Lou Whelan, Kayla Wiegand, Steve Wiltberger, Jim Wood, Louise Wood, Will Woodward, Mary Louise Worthy & family, and all who are sick.

PARISH CALENDAR

Saturday, January 21, through Sunday, January 29

(Mass Intentions are shown in *italics*)

All Masses are held in Upper Church unless otherwise noted.

Saturday, 1/21	3:30 - 4:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church) 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Kay Cannon+</i>
Sunday, 1/22	8:00 am - Mass, <i>For The People</i> 9:00 - 10:00 am - Confessions (Upper Church) 10:30 am - Mass, <i>For Donna Hanford-Nichols+</i> 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>The Holy Souls in Purgatory</i>
Monday, 1/23 Lower Church	8:30 am - Mass, <i>For The Holy Souls in Purgatory</i>
Tuesday, 1/24 Lower Church	12:00 pm - Mass <i>For Grace Parrish+</i>
Wednesday, 1/25	7:00 am - 5:30 pm - Eucharistic Adoration 4:30-5:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church) 6:00 pm - Mass, <i>For Sophia & Ray Nelson+</i>
Thursday, 1/26	10:00 am - Mass <i>For Dorothy Mary Walton+</i>
Friday, 1/27 Lower Church	10:00 am - Mass <i>For The OLR Prayer Warriors</i>
Saturday, 1/28	3:30 - 4:30 pm - Confessions (Upper Church) 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For David & Virginia Cotter+</i>
Sunday, 1/29	8:00 am - Mass, <i>The Holy Souls In Purgatory</i> 9:00 - 10:00 am - Confessions (Upper Church) 10:30 am - Mass, <i>For Rose Cousino</i> 5:00 pm - Mass, <i>For The People</i>

Marian Tea

Join us for a cup of tea and the Rosary on

Saturday, Feb. 4, at 10:30 am in

Guadalupe Hall. Victoria Norris will be sharing with us
the Marian Spirituality of our first Native American
saint, St. Kateri. Please RSVP by texting "Yes"
to 864-525-7260 or click [HERE](#).



High School Youth Group will NOT meet this Sunday, January 22, as we will be participating in the March For Life in Washington, DC.



MOTHER TERESA HOUSE

"I can do things you cannot, you can do things I cannot; together we can do great things."

Mother Teresa

One of the many things I do at Mother Teresa House is work with other agencies, attend meetings, and develop the necessary relationships with each other to help those in need.

Recently, I received an email from an 18 year old homeless female with mental health issues, living between hotels and her car. She had to drop out of school, but did have a job at a non-profit. I forwarded this situation to my group of providers/friends. By the end of the day, her employer was supporting and helping her, shelter was being processed, mental health was involved, and counselors specializing in youth were in contact.

We all have specialties and gifts, and working together, we created a path for this young lady.

Continue to pray for our ministry and those we serve.

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Next week, Jan. 29, (as usual on the last Sunday of the month) there will be a table in the Narthex for objects to be blessed after the weekend Masses.

After the 10:30 Mass there will be a **special St. Benedict blessing** and a supply of St. Benedict medals to be distributed. If you have images of St. Benedict, medals, or St. Benedict crucifixes you may bring them to receive the

Guadalupe Hall New Policy

If you have reserved Guadalupe Hall for an event, please contact Donna Craft at the Parish Office for instructions. Please note, the cloth table cloths are now stored in the Parish Office and will need to be checked out ahead of time.

SCHOOL NEWS



Re-enrollment DEADLINE is Jan. 31

Please remember the \$300. fee will be due for each child.

Parents are called to be the primary educators of their children, and Family Honor's **LEADING AND LOVING PROGRAM** assists parents of young children (toddler through 6th grade) by providing opportunities to learn principles to help your grow in goodness and virtue - qualities needed more than ever in our current culture! We encourage you to register today for the Family Honor Leading and Loving program, to be held on Wednesday nights at OLR.

This three-session program will start on February 1, 2023, continue on February 8, and will end on February 15. (Parents should try to attend all sessions, if possible.) Please register [HERE](#).

Start time is 6:30 pm and finish time is 9:00 pm for each session. Cost is \$45 total. (**Program is for parents only. Grandparents are also welcome to attend. No children attend)

St. Martha's Women's Group

The St. Martha's Women's Group will be meeting on Saturday, Jan. 21, from 10-11 am in Guadalupe Hall to plan events for the coming months. All women in the parish are invited to attend. Please join us!

Year End Tax Reports are now available for those who use Online Giving. Please go [HERE](#) for step by step instructions. If you use envelopes, your report will be available with Martha Mahan in the Parish Office.

This weekend we celebrate **Sanctity of Human Life Sunday**. In keeping with this important day, Our Lady of the Rosary's Respect Life Committee has provided copies of the **7 Points of Humanae Vitae** which you will find on the table in the Narthex following Mass. Please feel free to take one or more copies. Thank you for promoting Life in our community!





Rite of Christian Initiation
for Adults

RCIA

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, January 25, discussing "*Marriage and Catholic Sexual Ethics*".

All are welcome to join
St. Martha's Book Club for
upcoming discussions in Guadalupe
Hall from 12:30-2:00 pm.



Feb 6 *The Reed of God*
by Caryl Houselander

Mar 6 *The Last Wife Standing*
by Dorothea Benton Frank

St. Vincent de Paul Society



In this Sunday's Gospel, we find that Jesus "... went around all of Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom, and curing every disease and illness among the people." **Your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul proclaims the gospel of the kingdom and brings healing to the broken hearts of those who live in poverty.**

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*Valentine's
Date Night*

FEB. 11, 2023, 6-9pm
Guadalupe Hall
Semi-Formal
\$100. per couple
Includes catered dinner,
drinks, and childcare
in the gym.

COME TO AN INTRODUCTORY MEETING ABOUT A NEW DIVINE MERCY CENACLE AT OLR

The Divine Mercy devotions play an important part in the life of Our Lady of the Rosary Parish. Our beautiful Shrine of Divine Mercy in the Lower Church exalts "God's greatest attribute" and honors Saint Faustina and Pope Saint John Paul II, who propagated this special devotion to the world.

We are hoping to initiate a new Cenacle of Divine Mercy at OLR beginning **Monday, January 23, at 12 p.m. in Guadalupe Hall**. Please join us for a 45-minute screening of "Divine Mercy, No Escape," a video produced by the Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception. As part of this meeting, we will also explain the Cenacle program and invite you to join.

What is a Cenacle? It is a word that references the Upper Room where Jesus and His disciples ate the Last Supper, and it has come to reference a certain type of dedicated prayer group. The Cenacle program, an outreach ministry of the Shrine of Divine Mercy in Stockbridge, Mass., incorporates readings from St. Faustina's Diary, Scripture, and the Catechism, as well as prayer, and, eventually, participation as a group in acts of mercy in the community. During a typical 60 - 75-minute meeting, participants will pray, discuss the readings, and share what they mean in their own lives.

If you are interested, contact Alice Baird at alicetbaird@gmail.com.

Continue Praying with 40 Days 365 – We know God answers prayers with many blessings. Now, 40 Days for Life is praying 365! We are offering an opportunity to continue our life saving work throughout the year. Please join us to pray at the abortion clinic, 8am - 3pm. Go [HERE](#) to sign up for an hour.



Please check the Narthex screen and OLR website at olrgreenville.com for all the most recent news and announcements.