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"He has saved us through the bath of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit"

-Titus 3:5

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Mass Intentions	
Monday, January 10 7:30 a.m.	Word Service
Tuesday, January 11 7:30 a.m.	+ Jesse Hettmann
Wednesday, January 8:45 a.m.	12 + Millie Walsh
Thursday, January 13 7:30 a.m.	+ Pete Gilson & Pat Gilson
Friday, January 14 7:30 a.m.	+ Shirley Wittman & Ruth VanAstine
Saturday, January 15 4:30 p.m.	+ Barbara Roffers
Sunday, January 16 8:15 a.m.	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time + Kathy Kempen
10:15 a.m.	+ John Sutton
6:00 p.m.	Parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes

Meeting Schedule - Week of 1/10

Monday, January 10 - Respect Life Ministry 8:30 a.m., Social Hall Monday, January 10 - Shawl Ministry 1 p.m., Parish Center Conference Room Monday, January 10 - Wild Goose (After Alpha) 6 p.m., Social Hall Thursday, January 13 - Worship & Spiritual Life Committee 6 p.m., Social Hall



Official Announcement

Given the Norbertine Community of Saint Norbert Abbey will be gathered this week for their annual Canonry Chapter January Retreat, Father Baraniak will be out of the office Tuesday through Thursday, January 11, 12, and 13. Father Baraniak will be available to celebrate Daily Mass on Tuesday and Thursday at 7:30 AM; however, a Communion Service will be offered for our school community on Wednesday. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will not be offered this Wednesday afternoon. Please keep the Norbertines in prayer and be assured of their prayers for the Faithful of Our Lady of Lourdes.

Mask Required Section in Church

With the continued increase in COVID cases locally, we are asking for increased compliance with our mask-required area of Church. Many feel uncomfortable attending Mass unless they are in a maskonly, socially distanced environment. Please respect those who prefer this seating by choosing an alternate area of the church if you prefer not to mask. Though our opinions vary, please continue to respect and show charity to our brothers and sisters in Christ!

At rest in the Lord + + +



Paul Hermsen, 69, our brother in the faith, passed away on December 20 and was accorded Christian burial through Ryan Funeral Home on December 28. Paul retired after 32 years with the City of De Pere Street Department. He enjoyed spending time at the family cottage in Lakewood, hunting, fishing, and watching sports, especially the Packers. He is

survived by his wife of 44 years, Kathy, a daughter, two sons, and a daughter-in-law, three grandchildren, siblings, and extended family.



Lisa Beth Becker, 43, daughter of parishioner Judi (Joe Secor), passed away unexpectedly of natural causes on December 23 and was accorded Christian burial through Hope Lutheran Church on December 30. Lisa obtained her LPN license and was working on her RN degree. She was employed by Woodside Nursing Home where she enjoyed caring for

the residents. Lisa was a positive, kind person who taught her children the importance of giving to others. She is also survived by her father and stepmother, two daughters and a son, step siblings, and extended family.

+ + May Paul and Lisa rest in Christ's peace! ++

Take a Book!

Thanks to a generous donation from a parish family, we are happy to offer you a special gift this Christmas Season: The Wisdom of Fulton Sheen, with an introduction by Matthew Kelley. It includes a short bit of inspiration for each day of the year from the late, great Archbishop Fulton Sheen to help you connect with God. Be sure to take one or a few for friends and family! You can find them in the Gathering Area at church. If you can't make it to the Gathering Area to pick one up, please feel free to call the Parish Office at (920) 336.4033 to make other arrangements. Happy reading!

Roses for Life

The Knights of Columbus "Roses for Life" drive will be held January 8-9 after each Mass. Stick-on cloth roses will be offered to parishioners. All donations will be given to local pro-life organizations, including Love Life, which provides assistance to young families with newborns, AA Alexandrina and House of Hope, which help unwed mothers, and the Mothers and Unborn Baby Care Facility. The men of your KC council thank you for your generosity in support of local charities.

Your Financial Support at OLOL Freely Receive—Freely Give

Week of December 27-January 2 Parish Support.....\$30,227.00 Loose Collection.....\$ 2,028.65 Total.....\$32,255.65

Parish Support Budget for July 1-January 31......\$580,250 Parish Support Income through January 2......\$580,430

On the Baptism of the Lord and Our Own Baptism

Dear Friends,

This Sunday marks the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, and, after the 10:15 a.m. Mass, we will welcome Clare Ann Coolman into Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church and the Living Body of Christ through baptism. This day has a special place in my heart because, exactly 39 years ago, at just shy of two weeks old, I, too, was welcomed into the body of Christ through my own baptism, also on the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord.

The word "baptize" comes from the Greek word "baptizien," which literally means to "plunge" or "immerse." During this sacrament, we are meant to not only be "plunged" or "immersed" in water, but in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Church, and Holy Lives. As the Catechism of the Catholic

Church states, "Baptism imprints on the soul an indelible spiritual sign, the character, which consecrates the baptized person for Christian worship." (CCC 1280) At our baptism the stain of original sin is washed clean, and we become children of God. More than simply symbolic or another milestone, this day marks the true beginning of our life in Christ.

Though Christ had no sin, his baptism marked the beginning of being "plunged" into his ministry. No longer just an anonymous young man in Nazareth, Jesus's baptism signals the beginning of his preaching, miracles, and, ultimately, his

death. We, too, are called to follow our baptismal calling of "immersing" ourselves in our faith.

How many of you know your baptism date? If you don't know it off hand, I encourage you to find out. Much is made of birthdays, and, while it is fitting to commemorate the day we were born into the world, isn't it at least as important to celebrate the day we were born into the body and family of Christ? As a parent, I try to do something to celebrate or make special my children's baptismal dates, just as I do their birthdays. Whether it's a treat, dinner out, or special time together, I want them to realize that this date is just as significant as the day into which they came into the world, and that it's a date that has a much greater eternal significance. And, since today is my baptismal date? We'll be celebrating with donuts after Mass.

In Christ,

Bridget Destree Parish Secretary



Dear Friends,

Happy New Year and Merry Christmas, still! For those of you who attended the parish Mass on New Year's Eve - the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God - you will remember that I unknowingly preached the entire homily with my microphone muted. Fortunately, I can project my voice rather well, but some in attendance, and others who joined us via livestream, were not able to hear the entirety of the homily. As such, I'd like to use this forum to share the "Secret [that is, 'inaudible'] Prayer" that the priest recites in pectore in preparation for receiving Holy Communion. Here you go:

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God, By the will of the Father and the work of the Holy Spirit, Your death brought life to the world.

By your holy Body and Blood, free me from all my sins, and from every evil.

Keep me faithful to your teaching; never let me be parted from you!

I find this prayer to be one of the finest, most beautiful prayers that the Church offers. Perhaps if you enjoy it as well, this might be something you commit to sacred memory, or place somewhere in your room to enhance your own personal prayer life. Again, my apologies for being somewhat "muted" on New Year's Eve!

Father James Baraniak, O. Praem. Pastor

Thank You!

Father Jim and the Parish Staff wish to thank all our parishioners for their generosity during this Christmas Season! Your gestures of appreciation, cards, and gifts mean a lot to us. May God bless you all this new year!

Sacrament of Baptism

We welcome Clare Ann Coolman to the Living Body of Christ! May God continue to bless her always.



After Alpha

What is After Alpha? After Alpha is an opportunity for all age groups to share and deepen their Faith. Please join us the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month starting January 10. We will meet from 6-7:30 p.m. in the Social Hall. We will view and discuss "The Wild Goose" series, which invites us to encounter the Holy Spirit. We will have a simple meal and good conversation. Please RSVP to the Parish Office at (920) 336-4033. We hope to see there!



Alleluia Attitude Choir–We Need You!!

Alleluia Attitude choir is a family choir open to all ages and abilities from preschool to great grandparents. Please consider joining us! Choir rehearsals are in the Chapel Monday nights 5:30 to 7 p.m. and one hour before our assigned Masses.

Upcoming Masses include:

January 8, at 4:30 p.m. January 22, at 4:30 p.m. February 5, at 4:30 p.m. February 26, at 4:30 p.m.

We hope to see you there!

Pick-Up Choir

Thank you to all who have participated in the "Pick-Up" Choir! We again want to invite everyone to be a part of our group! The "Pick-Up" choir meets in the church choir area before the beginning of Mass. We will provide music and *Breaking Bread* books.

Our next Masses are:

Sunday, January 16, 8:15 a.m. (Meet at 7:30 a.m.) Sunday, January 30, 10:15 a.m. (Meet at 9:30 a.m.) Sunday, February 13, 8:15 a.m. (Meet at 7:30 a.m.)

We look forward to seeing you!

Women's Group Cookie Exchange

Join the OLOL Women's Group on Saturday, January 22

from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. in the Social Hall in a cookie exchange. We will be making up "giving plates" to gift to others with the cookies everyone brings. We will have light snacks to enjoy. Please bring two dozen of your favorite cookies. RSVP to Katie at katie@lourdesdepere.org or call the Parish Office at (920) 336-4033.



Bath & Body Works Discount!

Help us deplete an unexpected surplus of *Bath & Body Works* \$10 cards! Buy 5+ of the \$10 cards for just \$9 each - until our supply is depleted. Due to the discount, tuition credit will not be earned on this sale.

Bath & Body's Semi-Annual sale is currently going on now. Take advantage of the sale prices, support the OLOL SCRIP Program, and have your family smelling great from head to toe! These cards would make a great Valentine's gift!



OLOL Youth Ministry Opportunities

Youth Ministry is for ALL middle & high school students! Bring your friends! They don't have to be from OLOL or even Catholic. Mark your calendars for our upcoming events:

Sunday, January 9, (and every 2nd Sunday of the month) <u>Middle School Students:</u> From 4:30 to 6 p.m. enjoy pizza, open gym, or games. From 6 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. we will attend Mass together (or students can be picked up). <u>High School Students:</u> We will attend 6:00 p.m. Mass and follow it with pizza, games, and open gym until 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, January 15, 3:30 p.m. - 6 p.m.

We will make and serve a meal at the NEW homeless shelter at 301 Mather Street in Green Bay.

We will prepare the food from 3:30 until 5 p.m. and serve and eat from 5 to 6 p.m. Students should be picked up and dropped off at the shelter.

Sunday, January 16, 8 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.
We will lead Children of God and offer child care after.
Please meet Mrs. LaCrosse in the Gathering Area at
8 a.m. to see how you can help.

Saturday, January 22, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Disciples for Life Event at the
National Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help

Students must have their own transportation and can attend all or part of the day. A pizza lunch will be provided.

To attend and obtain more details, please contact Mrs. LaCrosse.



Faith Formation Updates

Formation classes meet each **Wednesday** this month: **January 12, 19, and 26.** We look forward to seeing you!

Please Let Us Know

If a loved one is in the hospital or has moved to a nursing home or assisted living facility and would like us to be notified, please call the Parish Office at (920)336-4033. We don't always receive calls from the facilities and want to be sure to stay in touch.

Mass Intention Requests for 2022

We are still scheduling Mass intentions for 2022. You are welcome to select one weekend Mass and one weekday Mass, or two



weekday Masses. Masses are \$10 each. Please contact the Parish Office at (920) 336-4033 to schedule intentions.

News from the Principal

Dear Parishioners,

January is always an exciting month for OLOL Catholic School. It begins when we welcome our students and families back to school after the Christmas break. It concludes with the most exciting week of the school year: Catholic Schools Week. Catholic Schools Week kicks off on Sunday, January 30 when the OLOL students are liturgical leaders of the 10:15



Mass. It continues with a week sprinkled with what makes Catholic education so great. Students will learn about faith and vocations, as well as celebrate what being at a Catholic school is all about.

Catholic Schools Week also means that it is time to start thinking about the 2022-2023 school year. Enrollment for the 2022-2023 school year starts on January 30. If you've ever considered Catholic education for your son or daughter (or even if you haven't!), I ask you to take some time and check out OLOL Catholic School. This can be talking to the principal or arranging a day where your son or daughter can spend the day at OLOL.

These are very unprecedented times and unlike anything that I have seen. I think that our world's #1 problem is that we have large segments of our society that don't believe in God or understand that everything good comes from believing and trusting in God. When you have that trust in the Lord, you see everything differently. OLOL Catholic School wants to be a part of the solution in moving people back to Lord and allowing people to see how life can be so different when you have that relationship with Christ. Catholic education is needed now more than ever.

Please pray and consider OLOL Catholic School as a place to educate your son or daughter. We partner with you on your children's educational journey and ensure that you have a voice in your child's education. I may be reached at jyoung@gracesystem.org.

"The smallest seed of faith is better than the largest fruit of happiness" - Henry David Thoreau

The Lourdes Way,

Jeffrey Young Principal





Children of God and Young Families **Ministries**

The next meeting of Children of God and the Young Families Ministry will be Sunday, January 16.

The Children of God program is for children ages 4 to 6 and is held during the 8:15 a.m. Mass.

Join the Young Families Ministry for community and discussion on this week's readings in the Social Hall between the 8:15 and 10:15 a.m. Masses. Refreshments and babysitting will be provided.



A computer calculation error was found after the publication of the Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School Honor Roll last weekend. The corrected honor roll is published below. Congratulations, students!

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School 2021-2022 CORRECTIONS First Trimester Honor Rolls

Highest Honors (Grade Point Average - 4.0)

Grade 8 Isabelle Fergus, Kailey Fink, Lauren VerBoort

> Grade 6 Julia Day, Maxwell Derouin

Grade 5 Breah Barry, Abigail Cleven, Madalyn Turriff

High Honors (Grade Point Average -3.5-3.9)

Grade 8 Isabel Derouin. Andrew Nelson, Cooper Nimmer, Julia Nolle, Addison Spencer

Grade 7 Nana Asiamah, Haylee Huth, Daniel Rodriguez, Alexander Schmeisser, Raphael Zifferblatt

Grade 6 Lola Beyer, Margaret Destree, Caroline Johnson, Ryan McNerney, Yeside Omotoso, David Seidl

Grade 5 Layla Beyer, Vincent Knuth, John VerBoort, Charlie Ward. Michael Willems

Honors (Grade Point Average -3.0-3.49)

Grade 8 Royce Lin, Vanessa McCallum

Grade 7 Ethan Ditscheit, Brennan Johnson. Miah Shefchik, Nathan Silva

> Grade 6 Bezzarell Chee, Ryan Cleven, Miranda Jaecks

Grade 5 Lauren Kaumheimer, Anthony Nolle



Funeral Lunch Thank You

The OLOL Funeral Lunch Ministry is a blessing to the parish and especially to the families who have lost loved ones. We truly appreciate the ladies who give of their time and talents to serve in this important ministry, headed by Bonnie Sanders and Jean Gilson. The following assisted with funeral lunches in December: Pam Achten, Betty Aerts, Pat Buckmaster, Jill Deprey, Jean Gilson, Mary Jones, Virginia LaCrosse, Nancy Reck, Ann Roemaat, Bonnie Sanders, Carol Short, Dar Smet, Terry Stansfield, Nancy Summers, Kathi Van Sistine, and Sharon Witcpalek. May God bless you for all you do!

Qualified Charitable Distributions

If you are 70 1/2 years or older and have an IRA, please consider making a year-end Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) to OLOL. QCDs are limited to the amount that would otherwise be taxed as ordinary income. Those who must take a required minimum distribution (RMD) may direct up to \$100,000 annually to charitable organizations without treating the distribution as taxable income. QCDs don't require that you itemize. This means that with the recent changes to the tax laws, you may be able to take advantage of the higher standard deduction but still use a QCD for charitable giving. This gift opportunity is especially beneficial for people who do not need their required minimum distribution. QCDs, however, count toward complying with the RMD requirement. To make a gift, simply direct your IRA administrator to make a charitable distribution to OLOL. As always, consult your tax advisor.

NEW Passion Play AuditionsOpen auditions for ALL RISE! The Northeast Wisconsin Passion Play, a dramatic musical based on the life of Christ, will be held on Tuesday evening, January 18 and Saturday morning, January 22, at the Xavier Fine Arts Theatre, 1600 W. Prospect Avenue, Appleton. Performance dates are April 7-10, with a special performance for Religious Education groups on April 6. Singing and non-singing roles are available. Those auditioning will also be asked to do a simple movement/dance audition. To register for an audition time please go to: www.newpassionplay.org and click or tap the "Audition for our cast" button near the top of the page.

Food Service Manager St. Matthew Campus, Immediate Opening

Are you interested in working at a job that matches your student's schedule? Do you enjoy providing nutritious meals to children?

If yes, please contact Jamie Hurley, RD, CD, Director of Food Service at jhurley@gracesystem.org or 920-499-7330, ext. 1001, as we have a Food Service Manager vacancy at St. Matthew! Details include the following:

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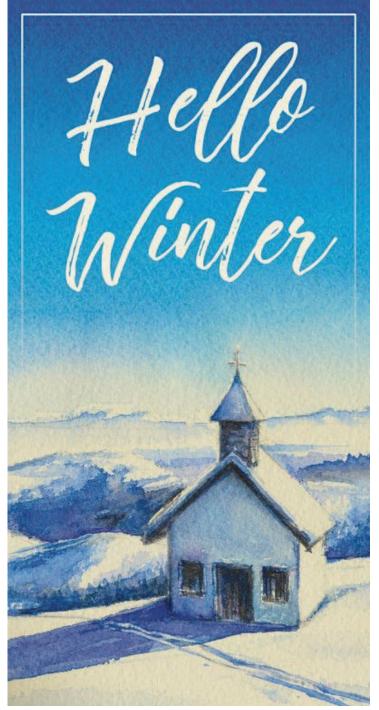
Apply today! For questions or further details, please contact Jamie Hurley, RD, CD, Director of Food Service, at jhurley@gracesystem.org or 920-499-7330, ext. 1001.

K of C Cribbage Tournament

Knights of Columbus - Green Bay Council #617 Cribbage Tournament Thursday, February 10 St. Agnes Parish Social Hall 1484 Ninth St. • Green Bay, WI 54304

Registration begins at 5:45 p.m. and the tournament starts at 7 p.m. sharp. Tournament format is teams of 2 players. Cost is \$50 a team. Registration is limited to 42 teams. Meal and beverages are included

*** Payout to 1st, 2nd & 3rd place teams! *** Visit www.stagnesgreenbay.org or the St. Agnes Parish Office to register.



Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Directory

PARISH CENTER OFFICE - 336-4033 Parish Business Manager - Carol Gibson Financial Secretary - Kathy Kocken Parish Secretary - Bridget Destree

PARISH MEMBERSHIP - Register with Parish Office. Members 18 years and older - please register individually. All are welcome to be an active part of our parish family. Your most important contribution is your regular presence at Sunday Mass. Beyond that our material support is based on Christian Stewardship of time, talent, and treasure.

BULLETIN - Announcements due by Monday morning. Please email the Parish Office, parish@lourdesdepere.org

PARISH TRUSTEES Joe Draves Jo Ellen Thompson

If you would like to contact one of our Parish Trustees, Finance Council Chair, or Pastoral Council Chair, please call the Parish Office!

OUR LADY OF LOURDES SCHOOL & PRESCHOOL Principal, Jeff Young, 336-3091 Site Advisory Committee, Courtney Janssen

FAITH FORMATION CENTER 337-0443 Coordinator for Grades 9-11-Traci LaCrosse

YOUTH MINISTRY - 337-0443, Traci LaCrosse, Facilitator

FINANCE COUNCIL - Chairperson, Paul Albers

PASTORAL COUNCIL - Chairperson, Ryan Jaecks

BAPTISM - Parents must be registered, active Catholics 4 months prior to Baptism. First-time parents are required to attend a Baptism Prep Program before their child is baptized. Call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

CONFESSIONS

Fridays 8:00 a.m. to 9 a.m. Saturdays 3:30 to 4:15 p.m.

CONFIRMATION - Confirmation is celebrated in fall of the Senior year for our high school students after participation in the preparation program. Contact the Religious Education Office for further details.

MARRIAGES - Weddings to initiate Christian Marriage are celebrated for persons who have demonstrated an active practice of our Faith. At least six months notice is required for the required Diocesan Marriage Preparation Program. New parishioners contemplating marriage in our parish must be registered with the parish and show active participation for at least 6 months prior to setting a wedding date. Weddings can be scheduled any time on Friday afternoons or on Saturdays, no later than 1:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT of the SICK - The Sacrament of the Sick is celebrated communally during Advent and Easter. If you're anticipating a hospital stay, please call the Parish Office. In an emergency, call anytime!

FUNERALS - In the event of a death in your family, please contact the Parish Office for Pastoral Care or to schedule and prepare a funeral.

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