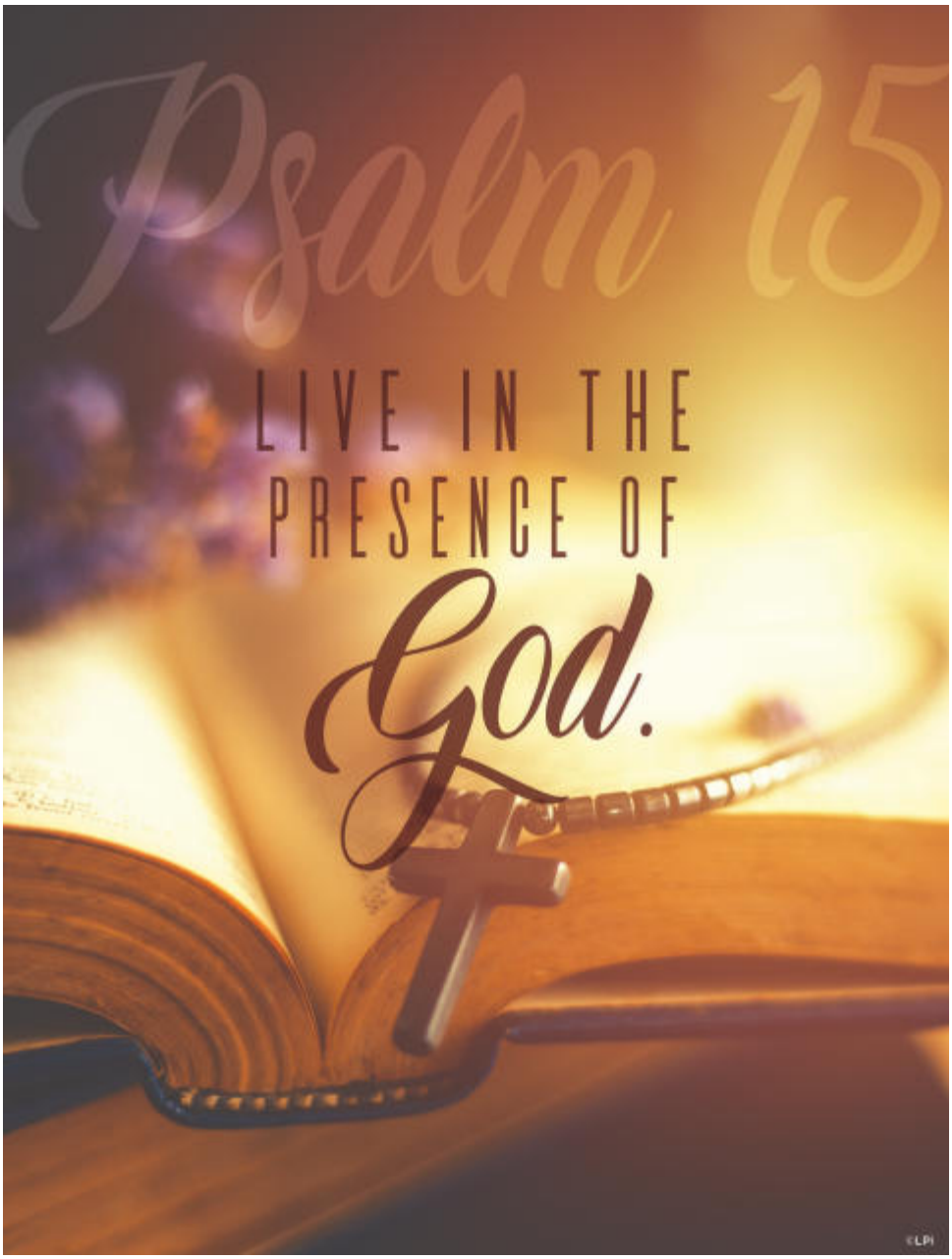
OUR LADY OF REFUGE, Orchard Lake MI

The Twenty second Sunday in Ordinary Time August 29, 2021

Mission Statement

Under the protection of Our Lady of Refuge and guided by the Holy Spirit, our parish family is dedicated to the propagation and deepening of our faith, rooted in the Sacraments, Sacred Scripture and Tradition of the Catholic Church. As stewards of the Father's gifts, we strive to reflect the love of Christ through the support of our parish and in our outreach and service to others.



LABOR DAY
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6 MORNING MASS 9:00am

MASS TIMES READINGS MASS/PRAYER INTENTIONS August 30—Sept. 7, 2021

Day/Date/Time	Readings	Mass Intention	Presider/Lector
Monday August 30 8:15am	1 Thes 4:13-18 Lk 4:16-30		Msgr. McEnhill
Tuesday August 31 8:15am	1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11 Lk 4:31-37	We pray for **Frank Belle** (deceased) requested by the Bachulis Family We pray for **Jack Callahan** (deceased) requested by John Currell	Msgr. McEnhill
Wednesday September 1 8:15am	Col 1:1-8 Lk 4:38-44	We pray for **Bernice Belle** (deceased) requested by the Bachulis Family We pray for **Maryann Schneble** (deceased) requested by Dan & Debbie Schneble	Msgr. McEnhill
Thursday September 2 NO Mass	Col 1:9-14 Lk 5:1-11		
Friday September 3 8:15am	Col 1:15-20 Lk 5:33-39		Msgr. McEnhill
Saturday September 4 5:00pm	See Sunday Readings	We pray for **Sabri Attisha & his Parents** We pray for **Jeannette Boyd** (deceased) requested by Robert Boyd We pray for **John Urbani** (deceased) requested by Mark & John Urbani	**Fr. Sabadell** P. Seif E. Escobedo
Sunday September 5 The 23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time 8:00am 9:30am 11:30am	Is 35:4-7a Jas 2:1-5 Mk 7:31-37	8am We pray for **Immad Daboul** (deceased) requested by the Family 9:30am We pray for **Irene Dewicki** (deceased) requested by the Kreucher Family We pray for **Marilyn Speth** (deceased) requested by Bob & Joan Paulson 11:30am We pray for **Theodore Baer** (deceased) requested by Ben & Mitsue Engler We pray for **Wayne Gwizdala** (deceased) requested by the Aerobic Swim Group	**8am** **Msgr. McEnhill** D. O'Brien P. Smorra **9:30am** **Msgr. McEnhill** R. Varela D. Dickerson **11:30am** **Fr. Iwanczuk** P. Gantz T. Alzate
Monday September 6 9:00am	Col 1:24—2:3 Lk 6:6-11	We pray for **Goris Shina & his Parents** (deceased) We pray for **Thomas Swales** (deceased) requested by the Barcewicz family	Msgr. McEnhill
Tuesday September 7 8:15am	Col 2:6-15 Lk 6:12-19	We pray for **Irene Dewicki** (deceased) requested by the Gilday Family	Msgr. McEnhilll

In honor of our Blessed Mother
Pray the Rosary

On Monday evenings until the end of October at 6:30pm
Bring a chair if you want to sit. Gather at Our Lady of Refuge Grotto to pray with others.

Faith Formation

Denette Plant (248) 682-6381

Faith Formation 2021-2022

I'm reaching out to new families regarding Religious Education this school year of 2021-2022. Faith Formation classes begin for children when they are in 1st grade. Our Religious Education classes will resume in-person starting Monday, September 20.

Help is needed for teachers
3rd grade teacher 4th grade teacher 7-8th grade teacher Hall Monitor

Catechist: Role is to teach the specific beliefs of the Catholic Church, which serve as an aid to living a Christ centered life. (All this is in the teaching guide)

Time required for Catechist: preparation time at home: 1 hour

Class time: 1 ½ hours

Qualifications: willingness to share faith and nurture the children's faith

Hall Monitor: supervise students when entering the hallway or bathroom. They issue passes to students who are tardy for class. They will check attendance sheets and call parents to why the child is absent.

Our classes will run 6:00 to 7:30 pm on Monday evenings.

Our goal here at Our Lady of Refuge is to support each family in their faith formation journey with their children as they strive for full, active and conscious participation in the life of the Church and the parish. One of the strengths of our curriculum (Gospel Weekly) is that it provides a liturgical catechesis that connects the Gospel to doctrine using current events and discusses questions.

REMINDER: First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion is normally prepared and celebrated in the 2nd grade. Students must complete two years consecutively in the Religious Education Program (does not include Kindergarten) before celebrating First Holy Communion. If your child has not been enrolled in 1st grade RE class prior to enrolling in 2nd grade, please contact me.

SAVE THE DATE

MONDAY, OCTOBER 18

Our Lady of Refuge will host the American Red Cross.

Unleash the Gospel – Living and Sharing the Good News

Observe these commandments carefully, for thus will you give evidence of your wisdom and intelligence to the nations, who will hear of these statutes and say, "This great nation is truly a wise and intelligent people." (Deuteronomy 4:6)

Humbly welcome the word that has been planted in you and is able to save your souls. Be doers of the word and not hearers only, deluding yourselves. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God and the Father is this: to care for orphans and widows in their affliction and to keep oneself unstained by the world.
(James 1:21-23, 27)

Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile. "From within people, from their hearts, come evil thoughts, unchastity, theft, murder, adultery, greed, malice, deceit, licentiousness, envy, blasphemy, arrogance, folly. All these evils come from within and defile.
(Mark 7:21-23)

How great is the wisdom of God, and the wisdom contained in the teachings of the Incarnate Word of God, Jesus. In the first reading from the Old Testament, we see the wisdom contained in the Ten Commandments that God gave to the people of Israel. In the first three commandments, God instructed the Israelites on how to be in right relationship with Him. In the next seven Commandments, God showed them how to be in right relationship with one another. The prescription for living contained in the Commandments set the Israelites apart as a wise and just people who knew how to worship the one, true God and how to live justly with one another as opposed to the often vicious, barbaric and unjust actions of the neighboring pagans. The Ten Commandments have stood the test of time and are still a wise and practical way to live in loving relationship with God and others.

In the New Testament, all the Old Testament laws were fulfilled in the teaching of Jesus that said, "Love God with your whole heart, mind, and soul, and your neighbor as yourself." (Matthew 22: 37-39) Jesus also instructed people to put these words into action in their daily lives by caring for the widows and orphans. He also gave precise instructions about guarding one's heart so as to prevent sin. "The heart is the source of emotions such as love, grief, anxiety, and joy, but in contrast to modern usage, it is also the source of thought, will, and conscience. Jesus is declaring that the ceremonial distinction between clean and unclean is incapable of bringing about purity of heart, the purity that God truly desires. From within the heart come evil thoughts – that is, the sinful intentions that separate a person from God. Jesus elaborated with a list of twelve sinful thoughts and deeds. (Mark 7:21-23) All these evils come from within and they defile. Defilement is not ceremonial but moral; likewise, purity is a matter of the heart. (Dr. Mary Healy, *The Gospel of Mark,* pages 141-143)

"The gift of law, which we hear God giving to Israel in the first reading, is fulfilled in Jesus' Gospel, which shows us the law's true meaning and purpose. The law, fulfilled in the Gospel is meant to form our hearts, to make us pure, able to live in the Lord's presence. The law was given that we might live and enter into the inheritance promised to us – the kingdom of God, eternal life. (Dr. Scott Hahn, *Bible Reflections,* stpaulcenter.com)

"Father, create in us a clean heart and renew you Spirit within us."

Pray. Encounter. Grow. Witness.

Permanent Diaconate Vocation Awareness Information Night

The Archdiocese of Detroit will be hosting an in-person Vocation Awareness Information Night at Sacred Heart Major Seminary for all who are discerning a call to the Diaconate.

In –person at Sacred Heart Major Seminary
Tuesday, September 14
7:00-8:30pm
RSVP: (313) 237-5800

Wives are HIGHLY encouraged to attend

Sharing Your Faith

Question:
My friend has never heard of Christ and I want to share the Gospel with her but I'm afraid to. How do I share my faith?

Answer:
There are a lot of ways to bring up the topic of religion, without being judgmental or pushy. Begin by asking what her thoughts are about religion, or what her experience was growing up. Finding common ground is often easier than you think, because the questions and problems we have about God, the presence of evil, our purpose in life, and our relationship with God are universal concerns.

Why are you afraid? If you do not want to insult or offend someone, don't be pushy or judgmental. If you are uncertain about how to explain your own faith, do a little reading or practice with a friend. If you measure success only by this person converting, focus your attention more on beginning the conversation, not on bringing it to a perfect close! Faith is a journey of many acts of belief, many discussions about God, and many choices about how we practice what we preach. In some we will have great success; in others we will need forgiveness and perseverance. The most important thing to keep in mind is that the Holy Spirit is always at work and our most humble efforts can bear great fruit. Have faith in God because he has faith in you!

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Andrew Hailo
Mark Wagener

Father Jason Brooks

Wednesday, Sept. 22nd.
7:00—8:30pm

Confessions will be heard

Our Lady of Refuge Church

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Why Be Registered?

Are you registered at Our Lady of Refuge parish? Sometimes, people attend Mass at this parish for several years, but never officially register. Registering in a parish is a declaration of your desire to be part of a Catholic community and to make a commitment to the life of Our Lady of Refuge community.

Being a registered parishioner makes the process much easier when it is time for baptisms, Faith Formation registration, weddings, when asked to be a baptismal or Confirmation sponsor, and even funerals.

If you would like to register in the parish, please call Msgr. McEnhill, at (248) 682-0920. He will meet with you and give you a welcome packet to fill out, it only takes a few moments. We welcome you to our parish family!

Pray for the men and women who serve in our Armed Forces

"Dear Lord Jesus and Mary, Mother of God, hold all these brave souls in the palm of your hand; comfort them and their families. Send angels of protection, love and comfort to all the service men and women still at war, bring them home safely and comfort their families. We ask this through Christ Our Lord, Amen."

Rev. Przemyslaw Nowak Chaplain	Army
Christopher Bowman	Coast Guard
Clare Brinkman	Coast Guard
Daniel Culbertson	Navy
Michelle Culliver	Army
Steven Dinverno	Army
Nova Howard	Army
Katherine Opie	Army
Gunnar Ottman	Army

Please contact Cora Armitage at 248 736-6228 to add or remove a name.

A. To add a person to the bulletin/board Military listing please provide:
   1. First and Last Name
   2. Current rank
   3. Branch of Service

B. As the contact for the service member (not for publication) please provide:
   1 Your Name
   2 Your phone number or e-mail address
   3 A current address for the service member.

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WEEKEND MASSES
Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 8:00, 9:30 & 11:30am

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE
8:15am Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Saturday 3:30-4:30pm

BAPTISMS ..... (By appointment)
2nd Sunday of the Month 1:00pm
(subject to change)
MARRIAGES Six Months Notice By Appointment

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