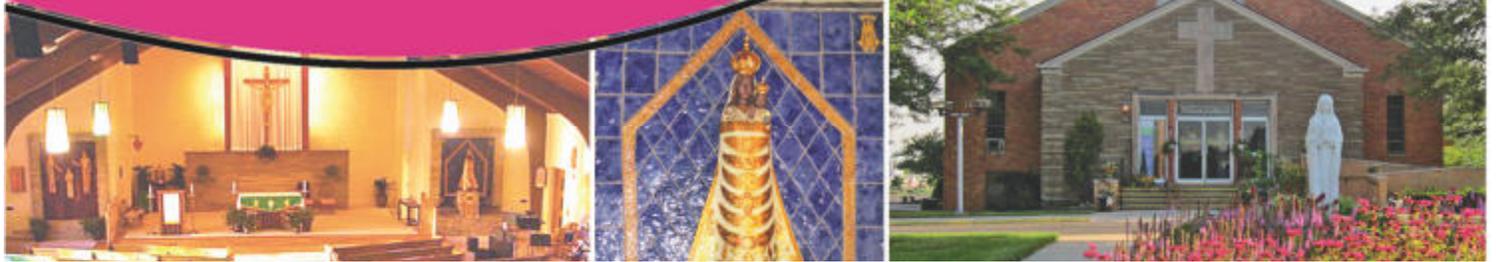


THE TRAVELER

Our parish Family is a Catholic faith community serving Jesus Christ and His Church. Together, we reach out to the congregation and larger community through prayer, service, evangelization and fellowship. We welcome and invite all on our journey with Christ.



WEEKLY PRAYER

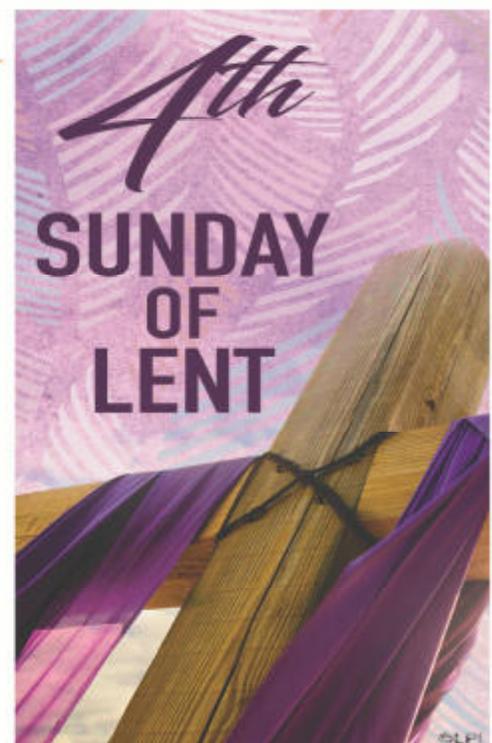
READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 14, 2021

- SUN 3/14** 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [6ab]/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21 or 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4m 5, 6 [1]/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38
- MON 3/15** Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b [2a]/Jn 4:43-54
- TUE 3/16** Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 [8]/Jn 5:1-16
- WED 3/17** Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18 [8a]/Jn 5:17-30
- THR 3/18** Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 [4a]/Jn 5:31-47
- FRI 3/19** 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 [37]/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
- SAT 3/20** Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12 [2a]/Jn 7:40-53
- SUN 3/21** Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 [12a]/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33 or Ez 37:12-14/Rom 8:8-11/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [7]/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

God's messengers always seem to get mocked. They speak a truth that some folks do not want to hear. While on the one hand we admire them, we also are quite happy keeping them at a distance. After all, they are not referring to me but someone else, aren't they? We often wrongly conclude that because we may be more avant-garde, contemporary, politically sensitive, and untraditional, we are somehow more in the light than others. People tend to prefer darkness more than light, even the most spiritually sensitive among us. The light always carries with it the richness of God's mercy and compassion which see beyond ideologies and concepts to relationships that cultivate life, earthly and eternal. Every hand of compassion and mercy extended to a human being must always point back to God. The call always involves ordering our lives in accord with our truth and essence of being. As God never forgets us, we must never forget God. Now is the time to take stock of our infidelity and return to the light, even though it is difficult to look at.



"We need to find God and He cannot be found in noise and restlessness. God is a friend of silence."

— ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA

Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servants to health once more. Please remember to keep in prayer...



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| Sheila Alaska | John/Nancy Lengyel |
| Mimmie Armstrong | Bea MacDonald |
| Patty Baumgardner | Debbie MacDonald |
| Art Bork | James McDonald |
| Tom Borkowski | Harlean McGrath |
| Bob Brown | Les & Carol Miner |
| Alan Dahl | Marilyn Mootsey |
| John Dallacqua | Art Nash |
| Margaret David | Suzanne Nattress |
| Andrew Fedor | Mary Rayes |
| Tony Ferro | Tim Simpson |
| Nikole Frederick | Angie/Rich Sloan |
| Eileen Graham | Nelson/Pat Taylor |
| Juan Hernandez | Debbie/Pat Weier |
| Lisa Hernandez | Lynne Wendt |
| Jim Kilmark | Williamson Family |
| Jim Kimpton | Joe Willim |
| Jennifer Koskie | Woodward Family |

Names will remain on the list for 4 weeks unless otherwise notified. Please help us keep our prayer list current by informing us if a person's name should remain on the list by calling 313-534-9000.



This week we take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection to help **Jesus in disguise**. This collection helps six Catholic agencies to provide relief and support for struggling communities and to work for peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

A Penny for your thoughts...

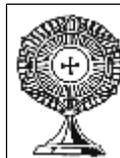
We've been thinking about our parishioners and missing those we have not seen in a long time. We hope you are doing well. These days find us stepping back and taking a fresh look at our lives. Please assist your bulletin editors by thinking about

these few questions and sharing your answers with us — What are some good things you see in the Traveler? What are some things you would like to see changed? What can we do for those of you that are homebound? Are there topics, subjects, requests or questions you would like to see

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN & WOMEN

- Alan Baumgardner, Coby Carpentier, Cole Frederick, Cooper Frederick, David Fry, Christopher Gazley, Jordan Hebner, Heather Ingalls, Christopher Larry, Christopher Laveirge, Eric Polson, Robert Previch & Michael Genga.

Lord, Hold these men and women in your loving hands and protect them as they protect us and bless them for their selfless acts. We pray for peace in our world and an end to war. Amen



"Can you not spend one-half hour with Me?"
Eucharistic Adoration
Every Tuesday
After 8:30am Mass

CHRISTIAN SERVICE NEWS

Donation items being requested for next week are:
Spaghetti sauce & Spaghetti noodles
Thank you!



presented in the Traveler? The Traveler is your Church news, change can be healthy! We happily await your responses via email or telephone to Kris Freeman or Sr. Margretta. Thank you so very much!



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION UPDATE

LENT: THE PERFECT TIME TO PAUSE AND ACT

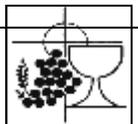
How are you dealing with Lent? Are you having a hard time with your Lenten goals? Did you give up trying to say extra prayers or doing good deeds for others? Let us think to put our faith into action this week. Jesus wants to give us strength to change our ways. Jesus is a healing and forgiving God. God wants to save us which is why he sent his only son. So, be hopeful. **DO NOT GIVE UP! TRY AGAIN** to change and let your light shine.

As today's Gospel passage states, "But whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God." (John 3:21) God wants us to open our eyes and hearts to give aid to those in need. Take a few minutes for silent prayer. Talk to your Lord. Ask him for the grace to be compassionate and generous with your time, money and talents. Go out of your way to think of someone you could help this week. Give someone the encouragement or financial help that they could utilize to lift their spiritual life.

What do you do besides talk about your faith? Pray to walk the walk of Jesus. Be an advocate for yourself and make the change you need to turn your life around. "For we are his handiwork, created in Christ Jesus for the good works that God as prepared in advance, that we should live in them." (Ephesians 2:10)

Have a blessed week of prayer and good works! Go with God!

MASS INTENTIONS



- Monday, March 8, 2021**
8:30am + Ed Gerber by Friends
+ Dennis Livernois by Friends
- Tuesday, March 9**
8:30am + Margaret Higgins by Friends
+ James Johnson by Friends
- Saturday, March 13**
4:00pm + Josephine Berry by the Family
+ Marilyn Mootsey by the Family
+ Kathleen-Cooney Brooks by Mary Cooney
- Sunday, March 14**
10:00am + Natalina Marchesotti by Friends
+ Carol Marontate by Friends

STEWARDSHIP

ST PATRICK'S STEWARDSHIP

From: catholicstewardship.com

"Saint Patrick, the 'apostle to Ireland,' is one of the world's most famous saints. His missionary zeal matched that of Saint Paul, whose missionary activities, though oftentimes a severe struggle, remained in the territories governed by Roman law. Saint Patrick, however, was the first recorded Christian missionary to evangelize beyond the bounds of Roman rule and into what was considered the end of the earth.

'Patricius' was born in Roman Britain around 385. His father was a public official and church deacon. He was kidnapped by Irish slave traders in his mid-teens, forced into slavery; herding sheep on remote Irish hillsides under harsh conditions. Spending most of his time in solitude, he grew to trust in God and a life of prayer. After six years, he made a dangerous escape that resulted in return to his parents. They found him, age 22, a visionary who sought Christ.

Patrick entered the priesthood, and was sent to evangelize the Irish. He was appointed the bishop of Ireland in 435 at Armagh.

The Irish were known to be wild and corrupt. Patrick's success in making converts was astonishing. He traveled to most parts of Ireland, winning the hearts of the Celtic people by his faith, humility, simplicity and care. He took great measures to incorporate pagan rituals into Christianity. Celts honored their gods with fire, Patrick used bonfires to celebrate Easter; and placed the sun, a Celtic symbol, around the Christian cross to create the familiar Celtic cross.

Patrick brought an end to human sacrifices, trafficking of women, the first person in recorded history to publicly oppose slavery.

His writings reveal understanding of stewardship as well. He wrote whatever good he had been able to accomplish on behalf of the Lord, has been a gift from God.'

Irish immigrants spread their devotion to Saint Patrick as they established the Catholic faith around the world. He is thought to have died on March 17, 461, his feast day." God Bless!

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MASS TIMES

Saturday Evening.....4:00 pm
Sunday 10:00am
Mon. & Tues.....8:30 am

CONFESSIONS: Sat. 2:30 pm & by appt.

BAPTISMS: 2nd Sunday of the month. Family must be active registered parishioners. Class held as arranged.

MARRIAGE: Arrangements must be made in advance (6 months min.). At least one of the couples must be an active registered member of O.L.L.

SICK & COMMUNION CALLS: We are happy to visit the sick. Notify the Rectory.

REGISTRATION: All new members are asked

In today's Gospel, God demonstrates great love for us by sending his Son so that we may believe in Him. We demonstrate our great love for God by doing good works: reaching out to others, acting in justice and charity. Through your almsgiving you are performing a good work; far greater than you think. Know that our money is multiplied by coins placed by others in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box.



**Right to Life – LIFESPAN:
Abortion by any Name**

The Biden Administration officially announced its domestic policy on abortion. The January 22, 2021 briefing which can be seen at www.whitehouse.gov states, "In the past four years, reproductive health, including the right to choose, has been under relentless and extreme attack." It continues, "The Biden-Harris Administration is committed to codifying Roe v. Wade and appointing judges that...like Roe." Codifying Roe refers to passing a Federal law legalizing abortion to strengthen the Supreme Court decision. The word abortion is never used in the statement, only Orwellian euphemisms such as choice and reproductive health. To learn how you can support a pro-life culture, Call LIFESPAN at 734-422-6230 or visit www.milifespan.org.

**Stewardship
UPDATE**

Collection Report: February 28, 2021

Sunday Envelopes	\$6,131
Sunday Loose	405
Mass Stipends	200
Total	\$6,736
OLL Parish Weekly Goal	\$4,865
Easter Flower	645
Central & Eastern Collection	195
Candles	66.95
Utilities	308
Fish Fry	5,231
Total	\$6,446
Grand Total	\$13,182



ARCHBISHOP OF DETROIT

COVID-19 Liturgical Directives (updated March 4, 2021)

The following guidance for Holy Week 2021 is being offered to address questions related to the reverent and safe celebration of Holy Week this year in the current circumstances of the pandemic.

As a Reminder:

- It is not possible to distribute Holy Communion to the faithful under both kinds at this time.
- Masks continue to be required as is social distancing and hand sanitizer
- Holy Water stoups and fonts are left empty until Easter Vigil
- Hymnals and pew cards remain out of the pews
- Do not re-use booklets or worship aids
- One cantor or choir size limited according to social distancing
- Maintain social distancing of six feet between families as church architecture allows

Alterations:

- Parishes are no longer required to maintain the maximum 50% capacity. The wearing of masks and maintaining social distancing for all remain paramount. –Because of the minimal contagion on the surface of furniture, disinfecting between celebrations of Mass is no longer necessary, however good cleaning daily after Mass continues to be recommended.
- Because of the complexity of the rites of Holy Week, it is recommended that parishes use altar servers for these liturgies, provided they are able to do this safely. Servers should maintain social distancing except for short periods of time to assist as needed.
- Singing is permitted and encouraged during these most solemn sacred liturgies and especially at the Easter Vigil, Easter Sunday, and throughout the Easter Season. Keep in mind that masks need to be worn by those in the pews while singing due to COVID contagion spread by aerosol particles.
- Fresh water may be blessed and used for the baptismal font as well as the sprinkling rite. However, water is not to be used for more than one individual at this time and the baptismal fonts are to be drained and cleaned after use.



WELLNESS ACTIVITY

OLL Health Ministry presents:

Ease tension with these Five-Minute Stress Relievers

This month, make it a point to spend some time each day winding down. Taking time to focus on releasing tension is worth it, as stress takes a toll on your body. It not only makes you irritable and angry, it can lead to sadness and depression and contribute to headaches, high blood pressure, and heart disease.

We've provided daily stress relieving ideas that only take a few minutes to practice. Enjoy making these part of your day and experiencing the health benefits they can bring.



Five-Minute Stress Relievers

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Week 1	Read a good book.	Take a walk.	Do a deep breathing exercise (one idea is below).	Take a walk or do a dance.	Listen to uplifting music.	Take a walk and think about things you are grateful for.	Listen to a funny podcast.
Week 2	Call a friend for a brief chat.	Listen to uplifting music.	Take a walk.	Watch a funny cat video.	Take a walk or do a dance.	Do a deep breathing exercise (one idea is below).	Listen to an online meditation.
Week 3	Read a good book.	Take a walk.	Try a deep breathing exercise (one idea is below).	Take a walk or do a dance.	Listen to an online meditation.	Take a walk and think about things you are grateful for.	Listen to a funny podcast.
Week 4	Call a friend for a brief chat.	Do a deep breathing exercise (one idea is below).	Take a walk.	Watch a funny dog video.	Take a walk or do a dance.	Listen to uplifting music.	Try an online yoga class.

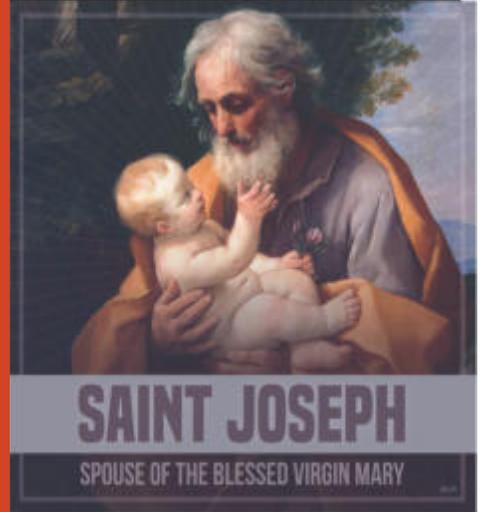
Dear Fr. Socorro,
 Happy
 Birthday
 to
 You!
 with
 Blessings and
 Prayers!
 Your OLL Parish Family



Our Lady of Loretto
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 Lenten Retreat
 "Redemptoris Custos"

Join us for a three evening
 Retreat on St. Joseph, the
 "Custodian of the Redeemer",
 hosted by Fr. Steve Pullis.

These documentaries are one
 hour in length beginning at
 7:30pm concluding at 8:30pm
 This series is designed as your
 choice — attending all or as
 your schedule permits. We highly recommend completing this three
 evening retreat.



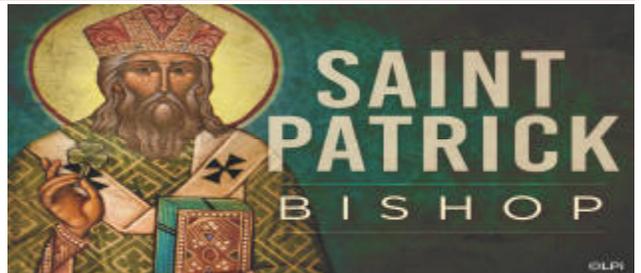
Tuesday, March 16th @ 6:30pm
 (Stations of the Cross; prayer; 7:30pm presentation)
 Wednesday, March 17th @ 7:15pm (prayer/presentation)
 Thursday, March 18th @ 7:15pm (prayer/presentation)

Learn more about St. Joseph, Patron of the Universal Church, in this special
 year dedicated to him by Pope Francis, and with the month of March
 dedicated to him and his feast day, Friday, March 19th, this Lenten program
 is a prayerful honor to "St. Joseph Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary."



St. Joseph's
 Feast Day is
 3-19-21

St. Patrick's
 Feast Day is
 3-17-21



PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH

Patron of the Church Universal
 Servant of the Lord
 You are the glory and guardian of every Christian
 Home, chosen as the
 Father of Jesus, in the covenant of Israel.
 Model of goodness and righteousness for Christ
 and us.
 Strengthen us faithful disciple, who believed the
 power of the Holy Spirit, announced in your
 dream by an angel.
 May our work each day be pleasing to God, until
 that day we join you and the whole company of
 saints, singing God's praises eternally.
 St. Joseph, hear us as we pray. Amen.

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Christ be with me,
 Christ within me,
 Christ behind me,
 Christ before me,
 Christ beside me,
 Christ to win me,
 Christ to comfort and restore me.

Christ beneath me,
 Christ above me,
 Christ in quiet,
 Christ in danger,
 Christ in hearts of all that love me,
 Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.

St. Patrick's Breastplate Prayer

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