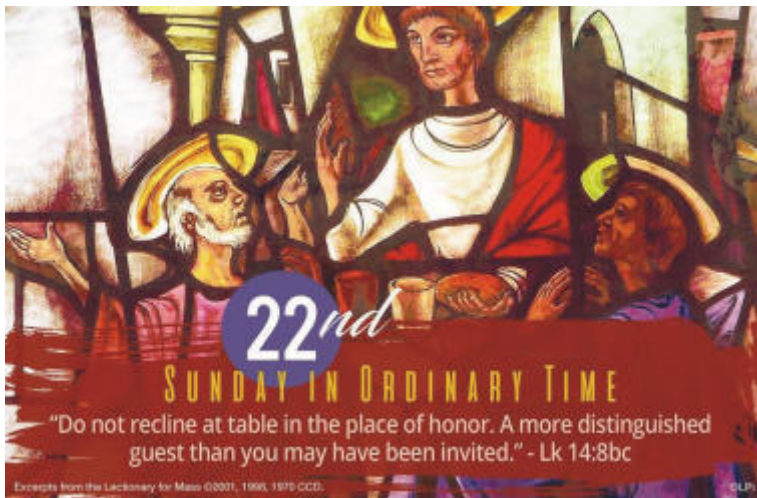




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1 SEPTEMBER 2019

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**Parish Website..... www.omoph.org**

### MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday ..... 4:30 PM Ferndale**  
**Sunday ..... 9AM Oak Park; 11AM Ferndale**  
**Mon., Wed., & Fri. .... 9AM Oak Park**  
**Tuesday & Thursday\* .....9 AM Ferndale**  
**Holy Days of Obligation \* 9:00AM and 7:00 PM**

*The rosary is prayed Mon-Fri before the 9:00 am Mass*  
*\* Call 248.545.2310, for the location of the 1st Thursday  
7:00 pm Mass and Holy Days of Obligation Masses*

**ALL ARE WELCOME, ALL ARE WELCOME,  
ALL ARE WELCOME IN THIS PLACE!  
HAVE YOU BEEN AWAY FOR AWHILE?  
ARE YOU NEW OR VISITING?**

**O**ur Mother of Perpetual Help Parish extends a warm welcome to you, wants you to know that you are welcome here and hopes you will come back.

**O**ur volunteers who serve at our Welcome Desk, located in our Gathering Area, are available after each Mass on the weekends to answer questions you might have.

**O**ur hope is that you will find a home in our community of faith. Registering to become a member is easy. Stop by our Welcome Desk, visit our parish website at [www.omoph.org](http://www.omoph.org), or call the parish office at 248.545.2310.

### **Sacraments:**

**Baptism, Anointing of the Sick,  
and Reconciliation**

Please call the parish office at 248.545.2310

### **Marriage**

**Must be active and registered members of the parish (for at least 6 months prior to scheduling)**  
call the parish office at 248.545.2310.

### **First Communion and Confirmation**

Please contact Natalie LaCroix, DRE  
at 248.374.9045



**Saturday, August 31, 2019**

**Vigil Mass of the Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**4:30 p.m. – Ferndale Worship Location**

Rheet by Ed and Judy Dupke

Jim Podzikowski by Family

**Sunday, September 1, 2019**

**Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**9:00 a.m. – Oak Park Worship Location**

Edward Jones by Paul Cronk Family

Deanna Norkiewicz by Mary Beth Western

Becky Wilson Holloway by Tom and Mary Jo Wilson

Rhoda Hurley by Cornelius Henderson

Armando Roasa by Gertrudes Roasa

**11:00 a.m. — Ferndale Worship Location**

Michael and Sara Rayis Family by Muneer Rayis

Thomas McLaren by Don and Dorothy McLaren

Beverly McLaren by Don and Dorothy McLaren

Judy Collier-30th Anniversary of Death-by Patty Phillips

**Monday, September 2, 2019**

**9:00 a.m. - Oak Park Worship Location**

Rev. George E. Ging (1965)

**Tuesday, September 3, 2019**

**9:00 a.m. - Ferndale Worship Location**

Shirley Wells by Family

**Wednesday, September 4, 2019**

**9:00 a.m. - Oak Park Worship Location**

Theodorico Ferrer-11th Anniversary of Death-Lenor and Cora

Richard Horeski by Barbara Schoenbach

**Thursday, September 5, 2019**

**7:00 p.m. – Oak Park Worship Location**

Lou and Marilyn Serapiglia-72nd Wedding Anniversary  
by Marilyn Serapiglia

**Friday, September 6, 2019**

**9:00 a.m. - Oak Park Worship Location**

Rev. Pasquale LoGrasso (2008)

**Saturday, September 7, 2019**

**Vigil Mass of the Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**4:30 p.m. – Ferndale Worship Location**

Jim Podzikowski by Family

John Sobeck by Iola Sobeck and Family

**Saturday, September 8, 2019**

**Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**9:00 a.m. – Oak Park Worship Location**

Minnie Bartos by Terri Mayfield

**11:00 a.m. – Ferndale Worship Location**

Bernhard Bastian by his Family

Michael and Sara Rayis Family by Muneer Rayis

Blessed Virgin Mary's Nativity and mine by Eric Feddersen

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION  
ABOUT OUR PRAYER LISTS**

The Church calls us to lift our brothers and sisters up in prayer when they are sick or struggling. The Parish continues to receive word about our parishioners who are ill, and we also receive requests about their well-being by others and ask why their names are not published. Since some of the members of our parish request that their names not be published when they are ill it becomes difficult. We strive to respect everyone's privacy along with trying to provide prayer support to all. We hope to list the members of our parish who are currently in need of our prayers, a visit, a note, or a phone call. To add a name to the listing, please contact the person first to make certain they want such information published and then contact the parish office at 248.545.2310.

If you wish prayer during a time of illness or difficulty for yourself or for a family member, please contact the office by e-mail at omophparish@gamil.com or by phone at 248.545.2310. Names will be kept on the list for 4 weeks. Contact the parish office, at 248.545.2310, if you wish a name to remain on the prayer list for an additional four weeks. Thank you.



***Our Sick, Their Families and Caregivers,  
and the Special Intentions of Our Parishioners***

Jim Podzikowski, David Doig, Andy Doig, Euna Feschuk, Omer Finley, Celia Juras, Susan Thornby, Margaret Devereaux, Jacob Plante

***Our Men and Women Serving in the Military***

1st Lt Jacob Ashmore-USAF, Cpt Jonathon Ashmore-USMC, Sgt Cory Berry-US Army, LtCOL Thomas Goedert-USMC, Matthew Pelletier-USAF, Sgt Douglas Raven-US Army, COL David Rogers-US Army, COL Thomas Rogers-US Army, PFC Edy Silveira de Souza-USMC, Staff Sgt. John W. Tomassi-USAF, AB Ashley N. Vozel-USAF, SSG Noah Reiter-US Army, HN Maura Curtin--Navy, CPT Matthew Carey-USAF, HN Autumn-Kyoko Cushman--US Navy

***UNITED IN FAITH, LOVE AND SERVICE TO OTHERS***

**OUR MISSION**—*Our Mother of Perpetual Help Parish is a welcoming and nurturing Catholic community building up the Body of Christ through prayer and service.*

**OUR VISION**—*Our vision is to be an extraordinary spiritual gathering place where people of all backgrounds and ages are welcome to question and learn, pray, worship, and serve. In community through prayer and worship, we hope to continue to grow together in our understanding and appreciation of God's love. We strive to change and improve our lives and the lives of others.*

***How do you live out our mission and vision?***

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**OFFERTORY FOR  
FY 2019-2020:**

	Aug. TD	YTD
Offertory Amount	\$16,809	\$40,424
Over/(Under) Prior Year (\$513)		(\$2,605)
Over/(Under) Budget (\$38)		\$1,116
Week of 08-18-2019 Offertory:	\$5,778	
2019 CSA: GOAL:	\$41,697	
TOTAL PLEDGED AS OF 08-19-2019:	\$56,184	
TOTAL PAID AS OF 08-19-2019:	\$47,244 (113% OF GOAL)	
PAID OVER/(UNDER) GOAL:	\$5,547	
OVER/(UNDER) BUDGET:	(\$19,453)	
PLEDGE COUNT:	132	

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Through the Parish Mobile App we hope you become more engaged in and with the parish. We can now connect with you wherever you may be. Download the app to your smart phone or tablet today! iPhone Users text ParishApp1 to 555888 or Android Users text ParishApp2 to 555888. Then, select Our Mother of Perpetual Help as your parish. Remember to set your message settings. It's as simple as that. The parish can always be in the palm of your hand.

**100th Anniversary**

On Sunday, Oct. 20th, at the 11am Mass, Our Mother of Perpetual Help Parish will celebrate the 100th anniversary of St. James Church in Ferndale. Please plan to join us in thanksgiving to God. Please help us spread the word to former parishioners and alumni of St. James School. For further information or to assist in preparations, please contact Dorothy McLaren at dtmatmmkm@sbcglobal.net.

**In the Words of Pope Francis:**

*“Let us ask Our Lady to protect and sustain us; that we may have a strong, joyful and merciful faith; that she may help us to be saints, to meet her one day in Paradise.”*

**THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE**

<b>Monday, September 2—Labor Day—Parish Office is Closed</b>		
9:00 am	Mass	OP CH
<b>Tuesday, September 3</b>		
9:00 am	Mass	SJ C
<b>Wednesday, September 4</b>		
9:00 am	Mass	OP CH
7:00 pm	Men's Organization Meeting (MO)	OP BH
<b>Thursday, September 5</b>		
11:00 am	50+ Club Meeting (50+)	OP GA
7:00 pm	Mass	OP CH
<b>Friday, September 6</b>		
9:00 am	Mass	OP CH
<b>Saturday, September 7</b>		
9:00 am	Religious Formation Classes (FFC)	OP GA
4:30 pm	Mass—Blessing of Students	F C
<b>Sunday, September 8</b>		
9:00 am	Mass—Blessing of Students	OP C
11:00 am	Mass—Blessing of Students	F C
Noon-4:30pm	Parish Picnic	Red Geary Park

**PLEASE NOTE: CALENDAR IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE—  
THE COMPLETE CALENDAR IS AVAILABLE ON  
OUR WEBSITE (WWW.OMOPH.ORG) AND MOBILE APP**

**OP—Oak Park; OP C—Church;  
OP CH—Chapel;  
OP S—School; OP GA—Gathering Area;  
OP BH—Bradley Hall; OP CR—Counting Room  
F—Ferndale F C— Church  
F GA—Gathering Area**  
Key to abbreviations of Council, Commissions and Organizations sponsoring the events listed above:  
Councils and Commissions: CSC—Christian Service Commission;  
FC—Finance Council; FFC—Faith Formation Commission  
PC—Parish Council; WC—Worship Commission  
Parish Organizations: 50+—50+ Club; MO—Men's Organization;  
SVdP—St. Vincent de Paul; WS—Women's Society

**Remember to visit our website—  
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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Sunday: Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Ps 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11 [cf. 11b]/Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/Lk 14:1, 7-14  
 Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13 [13b]/Lk 4:16-30  
 Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [13]/Lk 4:31-37  
 Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11 [10]/Lk 4:38-44  
 Thursday: Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 [2]/Lk 5:1-11  
 Friday: Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [2b]/Lk 5:33-39  
 Saturday: Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8 [6]/Lk 6:1-5  
 Next Sunday: Wis 9:13-18b/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14-17 [1]/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33

**OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK**

Sunday: 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 Tuesday: St. Gregory the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church  
 Next Sunday: 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparents' Day

**SAINTS OF THE WEEK**

**BLESSED JOHN FRANCIS BURTÉ AND COMPANIONS**

September 2. Victims of the French Revolution, these blessededs witnessed to their faith by refusing to take a civil oath which amounted to a denial of the faith. On a single day in Paris, 185 people were martyred.

**SAINT ROSE OF VITERBO**

September 4. Saint Rose achieved sainthood in only 18 years of life. She had shown a great desire for prayer early in life, and joined the Secular Franciscan at the age of 10. Rose preached in the streets and was very generous to the poor.

**BLESSED FRÉDÉRIC OZANAM**

September 7. Blessed Frédéric Ozanam proved to be a leader who helped others help the poor. He also formed a newspaper to push the cause of justice. In 1833, he founded the Saint Vincent de Paul Society, which continues to the present day.



**GOSPEL MEDITATION**

Can you imagine if Jesus threw a party? From the wedding feast at Cana, we know he wouldn't let the wine run out. From this Sunday's Gospel, we know there would be quite a lively array of guests! We also knew who the most important people would be — everyone. Jesus advises throwing a party that turns everything upside down. Everyone should assume they're the least important attendee, and the guest list shouldn't include the neighborhood "who's who." Rather, we should go looking for "the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind" and hope they RSVP. Jesus describes a particular posture towards our own hospitality.

Parties are about the other people. "Do not recline at table in the place of honor." How often can small talk become a one-upmanship of job promotions, home renovations, and our children's achievements? We've all been to parties where being the most interesting guest is the highest achievement. Yet so often, we know the best party guests are the ones who listen well to our stories. Whether we are guests or hosts, we have the opportunity to look on others with humility and awe.

Parties are opportunities to serve. Jesus advises us to be careful who we invite "in case they might invite you back and you have repayment." Does Jesus literally mean we shouldn't invite our friends over? Of course not! But he does invite us to special consideration when we offer hospitality. When we invite people over to our home, what motivates us? Who we want to spend time with? Who we'd like to impress? These ultimately have only ourselves in mind. How about asking: Who could use some extra care right now? Who could benefit from a fun evening out? In other words, who can I serve?

**MAKING A REPORT OF SEXUAL ABUSE BY PRIESTS, DEACONS, AND OTHER CHURCH PERSONNEL**

Persons with such complaints are encouraged to directly contact law enforcement authorities. Contact the Department of Attorney General through their **investigation hotline at 844-324-3374** (M-F, 8 a.m.—5 p.m.).

To inform the Archdiocese of Detroit regarding the sexual abuse of minors and/or to speak to the Victim Assistance Coordinator contact: (866) 343-8055. This line is for reporting suspected sexual misconduct or child abuse within archdiocesan institutions and ministries only.

**POCKET PRAYER FOR STUDENTS**

Dear Jesus,  
 Thank you for the gift of learning! I want to grow closer to you in everything I do at school. In math and science, help me to see your beautiful plan in the world. Help me to discover new stories and values as I read and write. In arts and music, help me to be creative. In sports, help me to treat my teammates and my opponents fairly. Help me to learn new skills in technology. Jesus, you are the perfect teacher. Help me to listen with open ears, an open heart, and an open mind to all my teachers at school. Help me to treat my classmates with care, kindness, and respect. Thank you, Jesus, for school! Amen.

**OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP—UPCOMING EVENTS, INFO AND NEWS**

Thank you to those of you who have donated to the 2019 CSA Campaign. We Have Reached Our Target. **However, we still need over \$19,000 to meet our budgeted amount for CSA.** If you have not contributed or made your pledge and want to help the parish in addition to your weekly offertory donating to CSA is the way to do it. Anything donated from this point forward stays in the parish!

Pledge cards are available at the welcome desk or the parish office.



**REGISTER YOUR CHILDREN FOR THE 2019-2020 RELIGIOUS FORMATION PROGRAM**

Classes will meet from 9:00 am to Noon on the first Saturday on each month beginning on September 7th and ending on the first Saturday of May.

There is a two year prep for students preparing to receive a Sacrament.

The tuition is: \$30.00 for one student, \$45.00 for two students same family, \$60.00 for three or more same family.

Registration forms are available at the Welcome Desk at each Worship Location. **For more information please contact Natalie LaCroix at (248)374-9045.**

**OUR MEN'S ORGANIZATION**

**INVITES EVERYONE TO ATTEND THE**



**Sunday, Sept. 8  
Noon—4:30pm  
at Red Geary Park in Ferndale  
(Pinecrest N. of 9 Mile)**

**UPDATE OUR SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CONFERENCE**

For the first 6 months of this year, our conference has helped 101 families. The majority of our cases have been Oak Park residents asking for assistance with water bills to prevent shut-offs. Many of these families have young children and you can only imagine the deplorable conditions living in a home without water. They also face eviction because the City considers a home without water uninhabitable.

Other assistance went to families for rent, DTE Energy bills, and miscellaneous vital needs. The Food Bank distributes food to those requesting it. Vouchers are given to our clients for clothing and household items from the Thrift Store. The need is great and ongoing. Since we no longer receive St. Vincent de Paul envelopes our donations have fallen off considerably and we have had to decrease our help to our friends in the community who because of unemployment, illness or other misfortune are unable to cover their expenses. We urge you to find it in your heart to contribute whatever amount you can each month by placing your contribution in an envelope marked SVdP and putting it in the collection basket. Bless you for all you've done and for all you can continue to do. We need your help to help others.

St. Vincent de Paul Friends Walk—Our annual Friends Walk will be held on Sat. Sept. 28th at 9:00 a.m. in the beautiful Belle Isle State Park. This annual event is a fund raiser for the SVdP conferences and all monies raised stay in their parish. This is an exciting and fun event and if you would like to participate please call Christine at 248-398-2544 or Janet at 248-541-2596. If you would like to make a contribution to this worthy cause, please place it in an envelope marked SVdP Friends Walk and place it in the collection basket. Thank you for your support.

Our conference is proud to report we recently received an Award for Excellence plaque from the District Council for the performance of our conference. We welcome you to join us at our meetings. We normally meet the first Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the gathering area in Oak Park.



Welcome back to those who wish to participate in the Monday Morning Prayer Group. We will resume meeting on Monday morning

September 9th, 2019 at 10:30 to noon in the Gathering Area in Oak Park. We would be pleased to have you join us!



**NEW PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

**10:00 am—3:00 pm  
Monday through Friday.  
Also, the parish office email address is:  
omophparish@gmail.com**

**ATTENTION: WOMEN'S SOCIETY**

**SAVE the DATE!**

Mark your calendars for Thurs., Sept. 12 at 6:30 p.m., when we will begin our 2019-2020 meeting season! The \$5 dues will also be collected. We will have our usual main course of pizza with sides provided by the officers. So, we the officers, hope to see you on Thurs., Sept. 12th in the Oak Park Gathering Area.

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