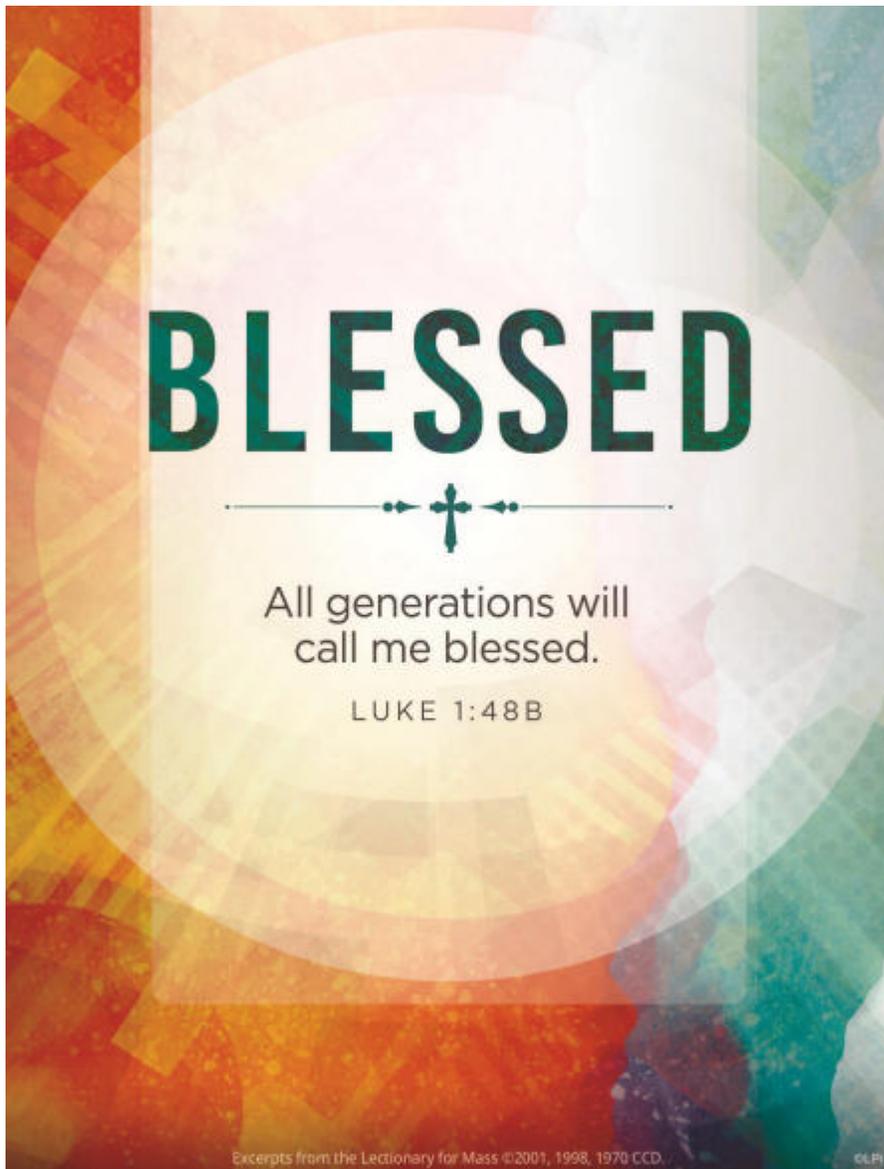


15 AUGUST 2021—THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



Rev. Paul F. Chateau,
Family Pastor

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• Oak Park, MI 48237*

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Office Hours

M, W, F 10:00 am—2:00 pm

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Parish Fax

248.545.2312

Parish Email

omophparish@gmail.com

Parish Website

www.omoph.org

Mass Schedule

**Sunday 9:00 am in Oak Park
and 11:00 am in Ferndale**

Tuesday 9:00 am in Ferndale

**Thursday 9:00 am in Oak Park (First
Thursday of the Month 7pm Mass will
replace the 9am Mass)**

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**

Please call the parish office at 248.545.2310.

First Communion and Confirmation

Please contact Natalie LaCroix, DRE at
248.533.5424

See page 3 for Faith Formation Perspectives on the Gospel



Saturday, August 14, 2021

Vigil of The Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary

Rev. Arthur J. Bell (1997)

Sunday, August 15, 2021

The Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary

9 am – Oak Park

Rhoda Hurley by Cornelius Henderson

Special Intention for Mike

Dorothy and Ted Wisner by Carol Fliger

Msgr. Clement H. Kern (1983)

11 am – Ferndale

Michael and Sara Rayis Family by Muneer Rayis

Stanton-Ruiz Family by Yasmin Stanton

Monday, August 16, 2021

Rev. Stephen J. Rooney (2020)

Rocco D. Palazzolo

Rocco M. Palazzolo

Tuesday, August 17, 2021

9 am - Ferndale

Rev. William G. Rogers (1950)

Wednesday, August 18, 2021

Msgr. F. Gerald Martin (2001)

Thursday, August 19, 2021

9 am – Oak Park

Rev. Adam Koprowski (1959)

Friday, August 20, 2021

Edmund Cardinal Szoka (2014)

Saturday, August 21, 2021

Vigil of The Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Rev. Gerard S. Brennan (1992)

Sunday, August 22, 2021

The Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

9 am – Oak Park

Rhoda Hurley by Cornelius Henderson

Special Intention for Mike

Al Fliger by Carol Fliger

Joseph and Helen Meo by Family

Frances Witner by Family

Anthony Meo by Family

Kent Schoenbach by Barbara Schoenbach

Edmund L. Ura by Mary V. Ura

11 am – Ferndale

Michael and Sara Rayis Family by Muneer Rayis

Stanton-Ruiz Family by Yasmin Stanton

Living and Deceased members of the Kemling

and Baracka Families by Dorothy Kemling

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.

Prayer REQUESTS

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

Michael Kollenberg, David Doig, Chuck Yodhes, Susanne Smith

Pray for 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, HM2 Maura Curtin--Navy, CPT Matthew Carey-USAF, HN Autumn-Kyoko Cushman--US Navy

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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?***

FAITH FORMATION PERSPECTIVES

AUGUST 15 -THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY A MOTHER'S CROWNING GLORY



In The Dogmatic Apostolic Constitution, 'Munificentissimus Deus' (The Most Bountiful God), November 1, 1950, decreed by the Venerable Pius XII (1876-1958) presents the Assumption of Mary, "We proclaim, declare and define it to be a dogma revealed by God, Mary Ever Virgin, when the course of her earthly life was finished, was taken up body and soul into the glory of heaven." Mary's "...crowning glory...to be preserved from corruption of the tomb...and like her Son before her, to conquer death and to be raised body and soul to the glory of heaven, to shine refulgent Queen at the right hand of her son, the immortal King of Ages."

'Fundamentals of Catholic Dogma' (1955) by Fr. Ludwig Ott (1906-1985) writes, "The fact of her death is almost generally accepted by the Fathers and Theologians, and is expressly affirmed in the Liturgy of the Church." "For Mary, death, in consequence of her freedom from original sin and from punishment of sin, however, it seems fitting that Mary's body, which was by nature mortal, should be, in conformity with that of her divine son, subject to the general law of death."

Mary's bodily death has not been infallibly defined by any pope. The Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary is often referred to as the 'Natale' or 'Dormitio' ("Falling-asleep") of Mary. It has been celebrated in the Church since the 5th century.

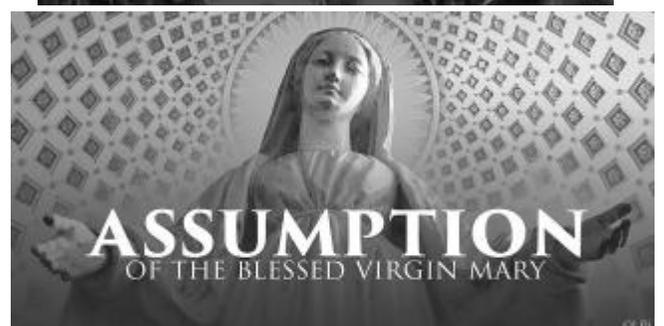
"In a wholly singular way she cooperated by her obedience, faith, hope and burning charity in the Savior's work of restoring supernatural life to souls. For this reason, she is a mother to us in the order of grace." Dogmatic Constitution on the Church, November 21, 1964 (#61)

"The Most Blessed Mary, when the course of her earthly life was completed, was taken up body and soul into the glory of her Son's Resurrection, anticipating the resurrection of all members of his body." Catechism of the Catholic Church (#974)

By Leonard Piasta, FFC

LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Good mothers have a way of bringing their children hope. When we fall and hurt ourselves, our mothers can help us walk the path of healing. There is hope that we will get better and the trust that we have in mom's comforting assurance allows us to move forward. Mothers know instinctively what we need and what we are capable of doing. They can be one of our biggest cheerleaders in life, and even when facing despair, can point the way to a brighter tomorrow. Our Blessed Mother does precisely that for us today. As one closest to our Lord, she cheers us on with the hope of what life will be for all of us. Although given the unique distinction of being raised in both body and soul, she nonetheless points to our true eternal destiny. Achieving this inheritance overrides any disappointment and her intercession and example inspires us to pick ourselves up when we fall. Always a mother filled with grace and hope, she calls us to reaffirm our faith in God and in the gifts we have each been given as we persevere even in the midst of life's challenges and failures.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 15, 2021

Sunday: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14 [8]/1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28 Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16 [10bc]/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

Monday: Jgs 2:11-19/Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab and 44 [4a]/Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a/Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14 [cf. 9b]/Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [2a]/Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Jgs 11:29-39a/Ps 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [8a and 9a]/Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10 [1b]/Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [4]/Mt 23:1-12

Next Sunday: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 [9a]/Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 15, 2021

Sunday: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Monday: St. Stephen of Hungary

Thursday: St. John Eudes, Priest

Friday: St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

Saturday: St. Pius X, Pope

Next Sunday: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE MAGNIFICAT

*My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,
for he has looked with favor
on his lowly servant.*

*From this day all generations
will call me blessed:*

*the Almighty has done great things for me,
and holy is his Name.*

*He has mercy on those who fear him
in every generation.*

*He has shown the strength of his arm,
he has scattered the proud in their conceit.
He has cast down the mighty from their thrones,
and has lifted up the lowly.*

*He has filled the hungry with good things,
and the rich he has sent away empty.*

*He has come to the help of his servant Israel
for he has remembered his promise of mercy,
the promise he made to our fathers,
to Abraham and his children forever.*

*Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now,
and will be forever. Amen.*

RECOGNIZE GOD**IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS—WWMD?**

“WWJD bracelets were all the rage about 25 years ago in Christian circles. I’ve always wondered if a WWMD bracelet might not make just as much sense, and maybe more. What Would Mary Do?”

I would argue that Mary was the most exemplary steward who ever lived. Her answer was always “Yes.” Yes, Lord, I am Your handmaiden. Yes, I will visit Elizabeth, and help her in the last difficult months of pregnancy. Yes, I will bring my son up in the Mosaic law and present him at the Temple of Jerusalem. Yes, I will give him to the crowds and to public ministry. Yes, I will offer him on this Cross, if it is Your will.

Yes, yes, yes.

Well, I can’t be like Mary, we think to ourselves. There’s an intimidation factor with the Blessed Mother and Catholics sometimes — one that almost exceeds that of Christ. Perhaps it’s because we are in awe of the fact that she was not divine in any way — she was a mere creation, like us — but somehow, she always had the courage to say yes. How could she do it, when we find it so hard?

Well, God certainly lavished on Mary extraordinary graces. Her lack of original sin liberated her to conform her will to God’s.

But God is impatient to give us, too, all the graces we need to be a steward in the example of Mary. He’s waiting for us simply to ask. Just as in Adam we died, so in Christ — through Mary — we live.

What can we say yes to today, in Mary’s example?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

**THE ASSUMPTION
OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
EXCERPTS FROM THE LECTIONARY**

FIRST READING:

A great sign appeared in the sky, a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon beneath her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars. (Rev 12:1)

PSALM:

The queen takes her place at your right hand, arrayed in gold. (Ps 45)

SECOND READING:

Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. (1 Cor 15:20)

GOSPEL:

“From this day all generations will call me blessed:
the Almighty has done great things for me,
and holy is his Name.” (Lk 1:48-49)

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SUPPORT OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

A BIG THANK YOU to all of those who have continued to support our parish. **Offertory is down and the COVID-19 pandemic continues to have a direct impact on our ability to pay our monthly bills.** Contributions may be mailed to the parish office at 13500 Oak Park Blvd., Oak Park, MI 48237. You may also securely and safely donate online via our website or from the parish mobile app. Call Chuck White, Finance Council Chair, at 734.635.2598, if you have any questions about online giving.

OFFERTORY FOR FY 2021-2022:

	Aug. TD	YTD
Offertory Amount	\$4,453	\$16,282
Over/(Under) Prior Year	\$2,557	(\$2,578)
Over/(Under) Budget	(\$220)	(\$7,083)
Week of 08-01-2021 Offertory total: \$4,453.00		

On-line giving totaled \$580.00 and drop off, mailed in, and dropped in offertory basket, envelopes totaled \$3,873.00 for a grand total for 1 week of August deposits totaled \$4,453.00.

THE 2021 CSA GOAL FOR THE PARISH IS: \$37,746.00
 AS OF 08-02-2021: 92 PLEDGES RECEIVED;
 83 FULLY PAID
 TOTAL PLEDGED: \$35,979.66
 TOTAL PAID: \$38,964.66 [approx. 103% of goal]
 ACTUAL SHORTFALL: NONE
 REFUND DUE PARISH: \$1,218
 Refunds issued: NONE

**LIVE VIRTUAL SEMINAR WITH JOE JORDAN
 WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18, 2021 7PM—8PM
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Join us for an information presentation by inspiration speaker and behavioral finance expert Joe Jordan. Joe will discuss “Stress-Free Retirement Planning”, including how to plan for your financial future and a secure retirement. Joe believes in the mission of the Knights to protect families by providing economic security and stability. His talk will give you new insights into your financial affairs without losing sight of your faith and values.

Registration will be limited. For information and the link to the seminar contact Jim Nitkiewicz at GK3830@mikofc.org

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“The Gospel is the Good News and the force that changes our lives and hearts for the better. For this I ask you to read the Gospel every day and meditate on a short passage to be nourished from this inexhaustible source of salvation.”

YOU ARE INVITED TO MEET OUR NEW FAMILY!

REGISTER TODAY—THE NEXT GATHERING IS THIS TUESDAY, AUGUST 17TH

FAMILY OF PARISHES GATHERINGS

You are invited to attend a series of Family Gatherings, involving members of Transfiguration, Divine Providence Lithuanians, Our Lady of La Salette, and Our Mother of Perpetual Help Parishes. These gatherings are an opportunity to learn more about our transition to Families of Parishes.

Each one of us is called to go and make disciples, to share the Good News. That’s what’s behind our move to Families of Parishes. We want each one of our Families to be places where people can encounter Jesus anew, grow in faith as disciples, and be equipped to be his witnesses.

THE SECOND GATHERING—GROWING TOGETHER IN FAITH AS A FAMILY

THIS TUESDAY, AUGUST 17, 2021, 7-9 PM—DIVINE PROVIDENCE LITHUANIAN

This gathering will aim to deepen those new, faith-founded relationships and begin to grow together as disciples.

THE THIRD FAMILY GATHERING—WITNESSING WITH SUPPORT AND ENCOURAGEMENT

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2021, 7-9 PM—OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP PARISH

This gathering will encourage Family members to celebrate together as a Family, receiving the grace that comes with confidently bearing witness to the Gospel.

All parishioners are invited to participate. There must be no bystanders in our mission! We also hope you will encourage your fellow parishioners to sign up.

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