



# OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

17 OCTOBER 2021—29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"Whoever wishes to be great  
among you will be your servant;  
whoever wishes to be first among  
you will be the slave of all."

MARK 10:43-44

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**FAMILIES  
OF PARISHES**

**South Oakland Family 5 Events  
Everyone is Invited**

**Tuesday, Oct. 26 7-9pm  
Family Gathering at Transfiguration**

**Sunday, Oct. 31st 3:30pm  
Installation Mass for Our Family's Pastors  
at Our Mother of Perpetual Help—Ferndale**

***Rev. Paul F. Chateau, Family Pastor***

***South Oakland Family 5***

***United in Faith, Love and Service to Others***

*Oak Park Worship Location, Rectory, and Parish Office 13500 Oak Park Blvd. • Oak Park, MI 48237*

*Ferndale Worship Location 241 Pearson St. • Ferndale, MI 48220*

**Office Hours: M, W, F 10:00 am—2:00 pm**

**Parish Office Phone Number: 248.545.2310 / Parish Fax: 248.545.2312**

**Parish Email: [omophparish@gmail.com](mailto:omophparish@gmail.com) / Parish Website: [www.omoph.org](http://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



**Saturday, October 16, 2021**

**Vigil of The Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Msgr. Walter R. Hardy (1974)

**Sunday, October 17, 2021**

**The Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**9 am – Oak Park**

Special Intention for Mike by Jerry and Fran Kollenberg

Rhoda Hurley by Cornelius Henderson

Monica and Rich Cincera—50th Wedding Anniversary—

by Veronica Riha and Mark Wonsil

Ireneo Mendoza by Veronica Riha and Mark Wonsil

Sr. Jane Zoltek, SSJ, TOSF by Carol Fliger

**11 am – Ferndale**

Michael and Sara Rayis Family by Muneer Rayis

Stanton-Ruiz Family by Yasmin Stanton

Rev. Ronald E. Modras (2018)

**Monday, October 18, 2021**

Rev. Gerald F. Britz (2006)

**Tuesday, October 19, 2021**

**9 am - Ferndale**

Msgr. Francis X. Canfield (1998)

**Wednesday, October 20, 2021**

Msgr. John (Jack) Trese (2004)

**Thursday, October 21, 2021**

**9 am – Oak Park**

Rev. Joseph B. Cizauskas (1955)

**Friday, October 22, 2021**

Rev. John E. Contway (1956)

**Saturday, October 23, 2021**

**Vigil of The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Rev. David F. Brock (2013)

**Sunday, October 24, 2021**

**The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**9 am – Oak Park**

Special Intention for Mike by Jerry and Fran Kollenberg

Rhoda Hurley by Cornelius Henderson

Vicki Mazurek by Carol Fliger

Mary Anne Kapala by Family

**11 am – Ferndale**

Michael and Sara Rayis Family by Muneer Rayis

Stanton-Ruiz Family by Yasmin Stanton

Steven Bone—17th Anniversary of Death—

by Jerry and Joyce Bone

## 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, Judy Chmielewski, Margaret Devereaux, Michelle Ciambelli Milewkovic

### **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

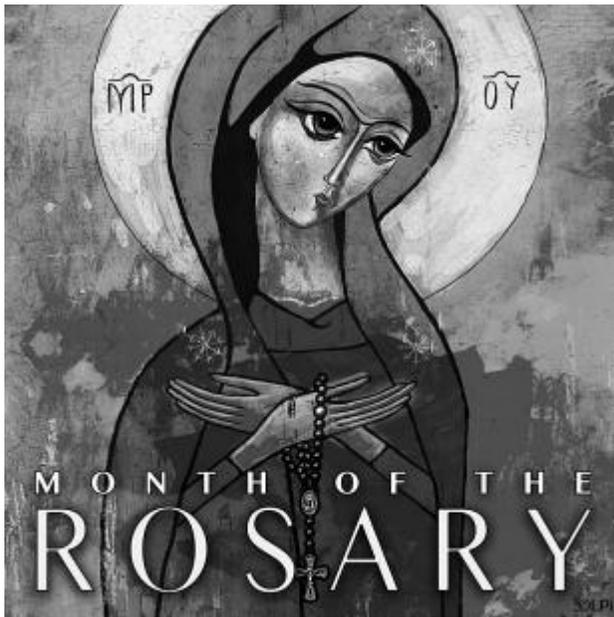
## **UNITED IN FAITH, LOVE AND SERVICE TO OTHERS**

**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?***





Visit the Pray the Rosary Page  
<https://www.omoph.org/pray-the-rosary>  
 on our website. You will find information and videos  
 you can use to pray the Rosary at home

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF OCT. 17, 2021

Sunday: Is 53:10-11/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 [22]/Heb 4:14-16/Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45  
 Monday: 2 Tm 4:10-17/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 [12]/Lk 10:1-9  
 Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15, 17-19, 20-21/Ps 40:7-8, 8-9, 10, 17 [8 and 9]/Lk 12:35-38  
 Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18/Ps 124:1-3, 4-6, 7-8 [8]/Lk 12:39-48  
 Thursday: Rom 6:19-23/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Ps 40:5]/Lk 12:49-53  
 Friday: Rom 7:18-25/Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94 [68]/Lk 12:54-59  
 Saturday: Rom 8:1-11/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 6]/Lk 13:1-9  
 Next Sunday: Jer 31:7-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-52

### OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF OCT. 17, 2021

Sunday: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 Monday: St. Luke, Evangelist  
 Tuesday: Sts. John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs  
 Wednesday: St. Paul of the Cross, Priest  
 Friday: St. John Paul II, Pope  
 Saturday: St. John of Capistrano, Priest; BVM  
 Next Sunday: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Mission Sunday

## FAITH FORMATION PERSPECTIVES

### OCTOBER 17—TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—THE REQUEST (MK 10:35-45)

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, approach Jesus and makes a request, "Teacher, see to it that we sit, one at your right and the other at your left, when you come into your glory." Jesus asks them, "Do you know what you are asking. Can you drink the cup I shall drink or be baptized in the same bath of pain as I?" The two brothers respond, "We can." Jesus tells them they will share in the cup and the baptism of pain as he will. As far as their request, Jesus informs them, "But sitting at my right or my left is not mine to give; that is for those whom it had been reserved." In Matthew's account of this request (Mt 20:20-21) it is the mother of James and John who makes the request to Jesus for her sons to sit on the right and left of him in the kingdom.



The request of James and John is to possess the best and second-best places after Jesus himself and he cannot grant their request because these places have already been reserved. Jesus demanded of James and John by their reply of "we can" to accept and share in the fate of Jesus himself. Such a fate would mean rejection, pain and suffering and even death by the hands of others.

The other ten disciples, hearing the brothers' request became indignant at James and John. Who were these fellow followers of Jesus to ask for such positions with Jesus? Up to this point it is Simon Peter who has been the preeminent person of the Twelve. Jesus continues with about how the Gentiles exercise authority over them and made their importance felt. Jesus tells them, "Anyone among you who aspires to greatness must serve the rest; whoever wants to rank first among you must serve the needs of all." This presentation of Jesus puts into perspective what greatness and ranking first that one must do to achieve such a position. Jesus finishes with, "The Son of Man has not come to be served but to serve" along with, "To give his life in ransom for the many."

Jesus' explanation of his mission is to serve and to ransom are references to Dt 7:8; God freeing Israel from slavery in Egypt, and Is 53:10-12; the person of the suffering servant of God. The disciples still thought of the messiah as a freeing force and person to free Israel from foreign domination and Israel would achieve self-rule but not a suffering servant who would give his life for the redemption and salvation of all.

What would be your request of Jesus? Jesus demanded of James and John to accept their fate in following him. Are you willing to accept your fate in following Jesus Christ even unto suffering, persecution, rejection, and death? Pray about your answer.

*By Leonard Piasta, FFC Chair*

**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:**

	Oct. TD	YTD
Offertory Amount	\$3,905	\$48,171
Over/(Under) Prior Year	(\$2,860)	(\$16,248)
Over/(Under) Budget	(\$768)	(\$17,251)
Week of 10-03-2021 Offertory total: \$3,905.00		
On-line giving totaled \$1,000.00 and drop off, mailed in, and dropped in offertory basket, envelopes totaled \$2,905.00 for a grand total for 1 week of October deposits totaled \$3,905.00.		
THE 2021 CSA GOAL FOR THE PARISH IS: \$37,746.00		
As of 10/3/21:	111 Pledges received	
	104 Fully paid	
Total pledged:	\$56,385.66	
Total paid:	\$67,410.66 [approx. 179% of goal]	
Total refund to date:	\$29,664.66	
Refund due parish:	\$445.00	
Refunds issued:	\$29,219.66	

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**THE FAMILY PASTORS ARE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE**

Sharon Myers, currently Business Manager of Transfiguration, has accepted the role of Mission Support Director for our Family of Parishes. In this role she will coordinate and oversee Family finance, accounting, information technology, human resources and facility management with the help of staff and volunteers from each parish.

Deacon Dan Darga, currently Pastoral Associate and Business Manager at Our Lady of La Salette, will be the Director of Worship and the Director of Engagement for our Family of Parishes. In these roles he will coordinate and oversee worship, evangelization, hospitality, ecumenism, and communications of the Family with the help of volunteers and staff from each parish.

**UPDATED COVID-19 GUIDELINES LITURGICAL PROTOCOLS**

**On August 17, 2021 The Archdiocese issued updated COVID 19 Guidelines related to Liturgical Protocols to reduce exposure to COVID-19. As Oakland County is an area of high transmission of COVID-19 we have implemented the following protocols for all Masses and other liturgical celebrations:**

- Masks wearing for all Mass goers, regardless of vaccination status
- Establish an area where social distancing is observed
- Hang signage indicating masking and social distancing are encouraged
- Evaluate space for our musicians, and those who are unvaccinated won't participate as a musician at this time
- Retain sanitization/face covering surrounding the distribution of Holy Communion

The faithful are reminded that particular dispensations from the obligation to participate in Holy Mass remain in effect for people who are ill or who find themselves in other specific circumstances.

More information is available at: [aod.org/emergencyresponse](http://aod.org/emergencyresponse)

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