



THE WITNESS

OUR LADY QUEEN OF MARTYRS

CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL

FEBRUARY 12, 2023 | THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY MASS

Saturday | 5:00pm
Sunday | 8:00am, 10:00am,
12:00pm

WEEKDAY MASS

Monday through Friday | 8:30am

PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS

Wednesday | Following Mass

EXPOSITION & ADORATION OF THE EUCHARIST

First Fridays | Following Mass
Benediction | 6:45pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday | 3:00pm-3:30pm
Or by Appointment

PARISH OFFICE HOURS




Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:30pm
Closed for lunch 12:00 -1:00pm



6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"I say to you, whoever is angry with his brother
will be liable to judgment." - Mt 5:22a

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OUR PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, through its members, is called to be a sign and sacrament of salvation to the entire Catholic Community. Essential to this Mission is the work of spreading Christian life and teachings.

PARISH INFORMATION AND CONTACTS

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THIS WEEK AT OLQM

Monday, February 13

8:30 am Mass
5:00 pm Faith Formation

Tuesday, February 14

8:30 am Mass
7:00 pm Catholic Biblical School

Wednesday, February 15

8:30 am Mass/Perpetual Help
Devotions
7:00 pm Open Choir Practice

Thursday, February 16

8:30 am Mass
9:00 am OLQM Women's Group

Friday, February 17

8:30 am Mass

Saturday, February 18

3:00 pm Confessions
5:00 pm Mass

Sunday, February 19

**On The Rise Bakery After All Masses
in the Social Hall**

8:00 am Mass
10:00 am Mass
11:00 am RCIA
12:00 pm Mass
1:00 pm Baptisms

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Copy due by 12:00 pm on
Friday of the preceding week.

Deliver to the Parish Office
or email copy to:
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SACRAMENT INFORMATION

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 3:00 to 3:30; or by appointment
by contacting the Parish Office.

MATRIMONY

Contact the Parish Office at least 6 months
in advance to schedule your Holy
Matrimony preparation.

BAPTISM

Please contact the Parish Office.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please contact the Parish Office.

FINANCE COUNCIL

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OLQM Online Donating and Offertory Giving



Our Lady Queen of Martyrs offers online electronic donating and offertory giving through WeShare. By scanning the QR code you can offer a one time gift or set up a recurring donation. Offertory contributions help offset costs associated with the day-to-day operations of the parish. Thank you for your continued support of OLQM parish!



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Hello,

My name is Fr. Craig Giera, and I am the Director of Priestly Vocations for the Archdiocese of Detroit. You may have heard that we have a vocation crisis going on in our world, but that's not exactly true. God has not stopped calling men to the priesthood. Rather, we have a hearing problem or a listening problem. Because this world is so loud and noisy, men aren't hearing God's generous offer to become a priest. And because of that, that means less priests serve you.

In just ten years, here in the Archdiocese of Detroit, there is going to be half the number of active priests than serving today. That means less Masses being said, less confessions being heard, priests not there to be able to celebrate in the joys, and to be with you there through the struggles. I don't say this to cause despair, but rather to stir up that gift of hope that was given to us at our baptism, that theological virtue that says we have already won in Christ. God will

provide the grace that we need to accept this challenge. Yet, we need to do our part.

Our response is prayer. Prayer is powerful and not a consolation prize. At the Holy Thursday Chrism Mass, Archbishop Vigneron announced that the Archdiocese of Detroit will engage in a Year of Prayer for Priestly Vocations beginning on June 4 (the Vigil of Pentecost) and concluding on May 28, 2023 (the Solemnity of Pentecost). This Year of Prayer will be a time for everyone in the Archdiocese - priests, deacons, religious, and laity - to come to understand and embrace our need to be united in prayer, working toward a culture that fosters and celebrates vocations to the priesthood. The Archbishop has requested we do this in four easy ways. First, pray the official prayer as often as possible, especially consider doing so during the weekend Masses. Second, to offer up holy hours for the intention of more priestly vocations in our Archdiocese. Prayer cards and holy hour booklets can be ordered at prayforvocations.com, which is the official landing page for this Year of Prayer and offers a great deal of resources. Third, to fast and pray on Fridays, but especially on first Fridays in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Lastly, to add in the intention of more priestly vocations to all your rosaries, public and private. The Luminous Mysteries are great for this and I myself have committed to saying the Luminous Mysteries everyday for this purpose. Our Blessed Mother knows what we need and she will purify our intentions and bring them before Jesus.

Our second response is to encourage and invite our grandsons, sons, nephews - someone in our life that we think has the characteristics to make a good and holy priest. It would be great to sit them down and make it a sacred moment, a special moment. Saying, "I believe you would make a good priest. I'll pray with you on that. I'll be here for you." You would be a St. Barnabas to them, one who offers encouragement!

I'm so excited to share with you our website at www.detroitpriestlyvocations.com. In it, you'll find many resources that will help support priestly vocations. There's also many resources for men who are discerning the call to the priesthood. Check out our new podcast, "Men of the Hearts"; we talk to priests about their vocation stories.

Brothers and sisters, St. Paul reminds us that hope does not disappoint because the love of Christ has been poured forth into our hearts. Together let us hope, but also to pray, invite, and encourage young men to consider the priesthood. I'm so happy to be here with you this week to pray for more vocations.

God bless,

Rev. Craig Giera



Deacon Chris's Corner.....



In today's Gospel, we hear an interesting word: "Raga". This word means imbecile or idiot, and it is followed by "You fool". Jesus is expounding upon the Fifth Commandment: You shall not kill. He is telling us that we are responsible for our actions well beyond the grave sin of murder. He is warning us that we can destroy our neighbor in so many different ways. One of these ways is how we speak to each other: Making them feel or look like imbeciles, idiots, or fools.

This makes me think of the of the rudeness and hatred that is being spread on social media. As one example, it is not uncommon to see people go at it on the platform, Nextdoor. This is supposed to be a neighborhood app to assist our "Neighbors" with tips, support, buying and selling of items, etc. Instead, it has become just another social media outlet to insult others for various reasons. We already see this same electronic rudeness play out on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and the like.

The Lord is calling us to be so much better. He gives us the grace of the Fruits of the Holy Spirit, to rise above our temptations and to not speak evil. Let us respond and practice the fruits of love, peace, patience, kindness, gentleness, goodness, and self-control. Or we will end up as the fool in squandering our heavenly inheritance.

With great gratitude to God,

Deacon Chris Beltowski

"But I say to you, whoever is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment; and whoever says to his brother, 'Raga,' will be answerable to the Sanhedrin; and whoever says, 'You fool,' will be liable to fiery Gehenna." (Matthew 5:22)

GOSPEL MEDITATION

February 12, 2023

The 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

It's often said that the Catholic Church lays heavy rules on her members, rules that can almost seem impossible. Mass every Sunday? No lying ever? Sexual purity all the time? I recently said to some non-Catholic friends that more than fifty adults were baptized at my parish at the Easter Vigil. One responded spontaneously with shock, "Why would anyone do that?" In other words, why would someone willingly place themselves in a system with such demanding and rigorous rules?

Of course, no one in the history of religions is more demanding and rigorous than Jesus himself. In the Sermon on the Mount, he says you have to be holier than pharisees or you're out. He says if you call someone a fool, you go to fiery Gehenna. He says you can't even look at a woman with lust or you're guilty of adultery (which was punishable by death). To top it all off, he says you can't even get divorced and re-married. Doesn't he know these are basically impossible demands? What world is he living in?

The new one, actually. He is the new world. Jesus' words aren't meant to condemn. They are meant to signal something new, a restored humanity. Jesus doesn't just give external laws; he gives us his Holy Spirit to internalize the law through love. He wants to fill us with his love. That's what the Church exists to do. Love demands extraordinary things. The "demands" of the Church only make sense because she is filled with Jesus' love. That wildly demanding love is why we are Catholic.

— Father John Muir

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SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading:

No one does he command to act unjustly, to none does he give license to sin.
(Sir 15:20)

Psalm:

Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!
(Ps 119)

Second Reading:

Rather, we speak of God's wisdom, mysterious, hidden, which God predetermined before the ages for our glory.
(1 Cor 2:7)

Gospel:

"I tell you, unless your righteousness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven."
(Mt 5:20)

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LIVE THE LITURGY

The heart with which we offer our good deeds matters as much as the deeds themselves. For Christ, the law is more than a code of conduct. It's a mindset.

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OLQM Knights of Columbus, OLQM Christian Service and Right to Life Lifespan are hosting a...

Baby "Shower" at OLQM

March 4 & March 5
to support Moms in NEED!



Please bring **NEW** items to the church vestibule the weekend of March 4-5. All **NEW** donations accepted. We are in need of the following items:

- ♥ **diapers - sizes 3, 4 & 6**
- ♥ **diaper bags**
- ♥ **car seats**
- ♥ **baby lotion and wash - (unscented, please)**
- ♥ **baby bottles**
- ♥ **baby wash/shampoo - (unscented, please)**
- ♥ **girls clothing (winter outfits) - size 12-24 months**
- ♥ **boy & girl clothing/sleepers - size 9-12 months**
- ♥ **boy & girl clothing outfits- size 2T**
- ♥ **hooded baby towels**
- ♥ **Meijer & Kroger gift cards**



Pack 'n Plays may be new or **GENTLY** used!



Defending the Lives of Mothers and Babies since 1984.



A Change of Heart

When a teen called to tell us that she had an abortion scheduled for the following day, we knew that we had to get her in for an ultrasound. Maria* was determined to have an abortion for fear of telling her parents that she was pregnant, and she was worried about how this pregnancy could impact the rest of her life. When she came to our center, she was anxious and overwhelmed by the prospect of being a teen mom. Yet, when she and her boyfriend saw their 12-week-old unborn baby waving at them from the ultrasound screen, they couldn't believe their eyes! Through God's grace, they gained the strength to continue the pregnancy – and tell their parents. In addition to the great deal of support they received here through your generosity, they were surprised to receive support from their family in caring for their baby. They are now confident and loving parents of beautiful baby girl, Lila*. We are so thankful that they came to us in their time of need.

*Names changed for confidentiality





From the Office of Faith Formation Happy, Healthy, and Holy Kids

Upcoming **Monday** sessions are: February 13, 27, March 6, 13

The Sunday Family Program meets February 12, 2023
beginning with Noon Mass. We will begin Unit 6: Sacraments

First Eucharist Parent Session meets Wednesday March 1

We have two options for this meeting:
10am Social Hall or 6:30pm Social Hall



Cultural Trends and Catechesis The Curated Self

As we began our 22-23 year of formation the catechists discussed some current trends and the importance of catechesis. The first one discussed was the challenge of the curated self. Modern technology has provided us with methods of recreating ourselves in what could be argued as more our own image than reality. We can generate avatars, use filters, manipulate photos, photo shop, and take lots of selfies till we get one we like. We can post images on social media with the intent to attract and interact with others so as to gain attention and influence how we are seen. While in some ways the curated self might be beneficial in helping us achieve certain goals, it can also create intense dissatisfaction with our reality and influence how we live in the present moment and deal with real day to day issues. Our constant scrolling can lead us to believe lies about ourselves and others.

Our Catholic faith teaches that we are made in the image and likeness of God (Gn 1:27). Many years ago, I asked my eleven year old daughter, Mackensie, “when God says we are made in his image and likeness is he saying the same thing twice? Do those words mean the same thing?” She quickly responded “No, they are different.” I asked how so?

“Well, it’s like this.”, she explained, “God paints a beautiful picture, then he stands back to take a look at the image and says, I like it!”

I think Mackensie was on to something. God creates us and we each are an expression of God’s infinite imagination. How can we possibly do better than that?

Catechesis pushes back on the trend of the curated self but teaching that it can never be as good as the real and true self. Our faith teaches us that we are loved into being and cherished throughout life. We are accompanied as we journey through the ups and downs of our existence and we continue to grow into the image of our true self that flourishes when we stay connected to the vine. This is where we will find contentment, strength and ultimately joy. We will learn to love ourselves and others as did the early disciples. It takes time, but it is time well spent. Keep at it disciples. God really, really likes you

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“Let Jesus present in the Blessed Sacrament
speak to your hearts. It is he who is the true
answer of life that you seek.”

~ Pope St. John Paul II

Christian Service at OLQM

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to be a *Disciple*

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St. Patrick Senior Center Annual Collection - FEBRUARY 12

The Senior Center provides a "home away from home" for over 2,000 older adults all year round. Seniors pass through the doors of St. Pat's on a daily basis; some are hungry, some have nowhere else to go, and some because they need to be valued and engaged. Check or cash accepted. Please put in the collection box or drop off at the Parish Office. Please make check out to OLQM, and mark clearly in memo box for St. Patrick Senior Center or use the QR code at right.



Capuchin On the Rise Bakery at OLQM! Sunday, FEBRUARY 19

Purchase and enjoy delicious breads and baked goods from the Capuchin Bakery after all Masses Sunday. Coffee will be served.

SnackPax Project - Wednesday, FEBRUARY 22

This service project is to help support SnackPax ministry to impoverished children in the Metro Detroit area. DROP OFF COMPLETED SNACKPAX in front of the school on **Wednesday, February 22 - 9:00 - 9:30 am.**

Details and sign up: <https://bit.ly/SnkPxFeb23>



AMERICAN RED CROSS



Annual Blood Drive - Sunday, MARCH 26

OLQM Health and Wellness Committee and American Red Cross are sponsoring our Bi-Annual Blood Drive in Parish Social Hall 9:00 am- 3:00 pm, **Sunday, March 26, 2023. To Register:** RedCrossBlood.org and enter code: **OLQM** or call 1-800 Red Cross (800-733-2767) or use the QR code at left.



We are in need of volunteers to help with registration and serve snacks 8:30-10:30 10:30-12:30, 12:30-3:00 pm

Sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0c4fafab2da5f94-blood1#/>

"Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of My brothers or sisters, you did it to Me."
Mt. 25:40

Thank you for your love of Jesus and of OLQM.
Thank you for all you are and all you do to make OLQM the amazing, faith-filled, loving, serving parish family that we are today!
Together we are making a difference in our community!

Peace and all Good, Sr. Francesca Thérèse, OSF
Christian Service Director

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS



Blarney Blast is right around the corner! Come join us in the school gym on **March 4, 2023** as we *Celebrate American Icons!* Information on tickets, sponsorship and details can be found at OLQM.CBO.IO. Feel free to come dressed as your favorite American icon - think Marilyn Monroe, Dr. Seuss, Neil Armstrong or Abraham Lincoln! Dressing up is not required.

BECOME A BLARNEY BLAST SPONSOR!

SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

KISS ME I'M IRISH (\$1000+)

RECOGNITION ON CLICKBID WEBSITE (LARGE LOGO)
RECOGNITION AT BLARNEY BLAST (LARGE LOGO)
RECOGNITION IN CHURCH WITNESS (LARGE LOGO)
RECOGNITION IN PARISH EMAIL
2 MEALS, 2 DRINK TICKETS, 2 CUSTOM ETCHED OLQM GLASSES

WHEN IRISH EYES ARE SMILING (\$500-\$999)

RECOGNITION ON CLICKBID WEBSITE (LOGO)
RECOGNITION AT BLARNEY BLAST (LOGO)
RECOGNITION IN CHURCH WITNESS (LOGO)
RECOGNITION IN PARISH EMAIL
2 DRINK TICKETS, 2 CUSTOM ETCHED OLQM GLASSES

OVER THE RAINBOW (\$200-\$499)

RECOGNITION ON CLICKBID WEBSITE
RECOGNITION AT BLARNEY BLAST
RECOGNITION IN CHURCH WITNESS
RECOGNITION IN PARISH EMAIL
2 DRINK TICKETS

POT O'GOLD (\$100-\$199)

RECOGNITION ON CLICKBID WEBSITE
RECOGNITION AT BLARNEY BLAST
RECOGNITION IN CHURCH WITNESS
RECOGNITION IN PARISH EMAIL

4 LEAF CLOVER (UP TO \$99)

RECOGNITION ON CLICKBID WEBSITE
RECOGNITION AT BLARNEY BLAST
RECOGNITION IN CHURCH WITNESS

THANK YOU BLARNEY BLAST SPONSORS!

FOOD: \$1000 - Carolyn & Ireland McQueen
FOOD: \$1000 - Aqua-Tots Swim School, the Jabaro Family
CRAFT COCKTAIL: \$300 - Jason & Merridy Toepfer
EVENT FLYERS: \$200 - Clarus Lighting & Controls

BLARNEY BLAST 2023

SATURDAY MARCH 4, 2023

SPONSORSHIP

OPPORTUNITIES

CLICKBID:	\$1200
RAFFLE ITEM:	\$1000
RAFFLE ITEM:	\$1000
DJ:	\$1000
RAFFLE ITEM:	\$500
BEER:	\$500
BEER:	\$500
WINE:	\$500
WINE:	\$500
DECORATIONS:	\$500
CRAFT COCKTAIL:	\$300
MARKETING:	\$300
STAGE RISERS:	\$300
EVENT POSTERS:	\$200
INVITATIONS:	\$200
TABLE/CHAIR RENTALS:	\$200
ELECTRICAL:	\$150
DESSERT:	\$150
RAFFLE ITEM:	\$100
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Please note: More items and specifics on sponsorship opportunities will be updated and available on the event ClickBid site at OLQM.CBO.IO by February 8, 2023. All donations can be made through ClickBid or through mail to the school or parish office, attention Daniella Brown, Blarney Blast.

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From the School



The OLQM library is abuzz with talk about the Caldecott Award. Each January, one children’s picture book is selected from all of the books written during a year, and given this very special award. Fourth and Fifth graders have been busy reading previous winners and critically thinking and writing about why the books won. Students looked at the criteria the Association of Library Service to Children uses to select a winner, and thoughtfully decided if they agreed the books should have won or not. First grade read the 2015 winner, *Adventures of Beekle: The Unimaginary Friend* by Dan Santat. We discussed the character traits of Beekle, and talked about how he changed from the beginning of the story to the end. When finished reading, each student was able to make their very own imaginary friend out of Playdoh and name them. Kindergarten read, *Joseph Had a Little Overcoat* by Simms Taback. We used a magnetic doll to retell the story on our white board. Afterward, the students created collages of Joseph’s little overcoat. We have had so much fun learning about all of the amazing Caldecott winning books!

~ Mrs. Meghan Swonder



Register at www.bit.ly/PIME23lent

Bible Study & Baked Goods A Young Adult Bible Series

Deep dive into Lenten Scriptures with Fr. Daniele Criscione, PIME



Thursdays in March of 2023, join Fr. Daniele Criscione, PIME, at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs Catholic Church for a deep-dive into the Lenten Scriptures and some sweet treats!

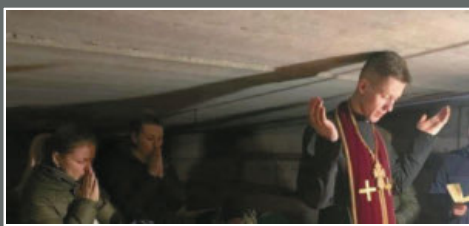
Join us from 7-9 pm for insight into the Gospel readings of Lent.

- 7:00 - 7:30 pm: Fellowship and Baked Goods
- 7:30 – 8:30 pm: Presentation from Fr. Daniele
- 8:30 – 9:00 pm: Q & A portion

Contemplate the Gospel of the following Sunday with Fr. Daniele Criscione, PIME, over four Thursdays in Lent – in the social hall at OLQM. The final week of this series will be adoration and confession in the church – the perfect preparation for Holy Week!

- Thursday, 3/02/23 – Mt 17:1-9
- Thursday, 3/09/23 – Jn 4:5-42
- Thursday, 3/16/23 – Jn 9:1-41
- Thursday, 3/23/23 – Jn 11:1-45
- Thursday, 3/30/23 – Adoration & Confession





A Ukrainian Greek Catholic priest celebrates Liturgy for evacuees in a bomb shelter, late February 2022

Collection For The Church In Central and Eastern Europe

Pope Francis has called upon the Universal Church to pray and fast for peace in Ukraine. Catholics in the US can also show their solidarity by participating in the annual Collection for the Church in Central Eastern Europe. The collection will help the Church in Ukraine bring the light of Christ to the faithful affected by the darkness of war, violence, and loss of families and homes and provide other essential funding in the region. Your support of this collection is a tangible way of assisting the Church's response and outreach to those affected and displaced by the violence. Please be generous.

[#iGiveCatholicTogether](#) also accepts funds for the collection.

**Collection is next weekend
February 18 and 19**

**Please use the envelopes
in the pews.**

***Please prayerfully consider a
donation!***



The Laws of Fast and Abstinence...

The law of the Church obligates all Catholics ages 18-59 to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. This allows only one full meal and permits two lesser meals to be consumed provided the two lesser meals do not equal the one full meal. Eating between meals is not in keeping with the fast but liquids are permitted. During the fast, one should offer their suffering to the Lord and pray for the intentions of the Church to grow in love for the Lord.

Additionally, all Catholics 14 years of age and older are required to abstain from meat on all Fridays in Lent, again offering this discipline to the Lord and praying for the intentions of the Church. In these spiritual disciplines we join our sufferings to Christ and gain a greater appreciation for those who go without.

LENT



Liturgical Schedule

Ash Wednesday February 22nd

Mass times:

8:30 am & 7:00 pm

**There will be NO ashes
available during the day**

Come Encounter Jesus

A Lenten Evening of

Prayer, Praise and Worship

Tuesday, March 14th at 7:00 pm

Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration

Each Friday of Lent

following 8:30 am Mass

Benediction at 6:45 pm

Evening Stations of the Cross

Each Friday of Lent at 7:00 pm

Children's Stations of the Cross

Each Friday of Lent

Adoration at 1:45 pm

Stations at 2:00 pm

All are invited!

Sunday Night Rosary

Each Sunday of Lent

at 6:30 pm in Church

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays of Lent

at 3:00 to 3:30 pm

Monday, March 27th

at 6:30 to 7:30 pm

**West Maple Family
of Catholic Parishes**

Reconciliation Service

(with private confessions)

Holy Name Parish

Tuesday, March 28th at 7:00 pm

CATHOLIC TRIVIA JUST FOR FUN

Question:

What is the type of Baptism called when the entire body is submerged underwater?

Last Week's Answer:

What year was St. John Paul II elected as Pope?

1978

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Ash Wednesday February 22nd

OLQM Mass times:

8:30 am with ash distribution

7:00 pm with ash distribution

There will be NO ashes available during the day

**West Maple
Family of Catholic Parishes**

St. Regis:

6:45 am Prayer Service

8:30 am Mass

12:00 pm & 4:30 pm Prayer Service

7:00 pm Mass

Holy Name:

8:00 am Mass

12:00 pm & 7:00 pm Mass

St. Owen:

9:00 am & 7:00 pm Mass

**Survivors of Suicide Loss
Support Group**



Have you been impacted by a suicide loss? Join other loss survivors at a support group to listen and share your story.

We get it. We care.

We help one another.

Facilitated by a fellow survivor and counselor trained by AFSP.

First Wednesday of each Month

Congregational Church

of Birmingham

1000 Cranbrook Rd.

(West of Woodward)

7:00-8:30 p.m.

No reservations or fee.

Questions? Call or text Marcy at (248)

408-9316 or email:

mellowmarcy70@gmail.com

Open Choir Rehearsal

Come join the choir! The OLQM Choir is holding an open rehearsal on Wednesday Feb. 15. Come sit in if you're curious about the music ministry in the parish. The choir is expanding and working on musical offerings for Lent and your voice is needed! Singing in the choir can help deepen your relationship with the Lord and increase your understanding of the Mass and the important part liturgical music has in it. So, come join the choir!

CCC 1156 "The musical tradition of the universal Church is a treasure of inestimable value, greater even than that of any other art. The main reason for this pre-eminence is that, as a combination of sacred music and words, it forms a necessary or integral part of solemn liturgy."

"He who sings prays twice"

~ St. Augustine



"Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ."

~ Gal 6:2

Do You Need Help?

Are you or someone you know going through a crisis or life difficulty?

Begin to feel God's Love again through a trained spiritual companion. Trained ministers provide one-to-one spiritual care and companionship to those experiencing a difficult time in life, such as grief, divorce, job loss, or illness.

If you would like to speak with someone about receiving care please contact Sr Francesca at

srfrancesca@olqm-parish.org

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PRAYER AND WORSHIP



MASS INTENTIONS for the week of February 13 - February 19

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13

8:30 am †John Toth
Special Intention for
Jillian Marie Haio

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

8:30 am †John Ozdych
†Dee Wallace

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15

8:30 am †Fr. Henry E. Villerot

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16

8:30 am †Bradley Bauer
Special Intention for
Asher Voss

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17

8:30 am †Dave Mitchenall
Special Intention for
Mike VanAntwerp

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18

5:00 pm For the People of the Parish

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19

8:00 am †Jane Barrett

10:00 am †Edward Butler
†Teresa Biondo
Special Intention for
Jen Easterle

12:00 pm †Leon & Alice Snapp
†Rosanne Snapp
†Bob Brinton

*Our Lady
Queen of Martyrs,
Pray for us.*

MASS READINGS for the week of February 12 - February 19

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time
World Marriage Day
Sirach 15:15-20
Psalms 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34
1 Corinthians 2:6-10
Matthew 5:17-37

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13

Genesis 4:1-15, 25
Psalms 50:1 and 8, 16bc-17, 20-21
Mark 8:11-13

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

Sts. Cyril, Monk, and Methodius, Bishop
St. Valentine's Day
Genesis 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10
Psalms 29:1a and 2, 3ac-4, 3b and 9c-10
Mark 8:14-21

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15

Genesis 8:6-13, 20-22
Psalms 116:12-15, 18-19
Mark 8:22-26

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16

Genesis 9:1-13
Psalms 102:16-18, 19-23, 29
Mark 8:27-33

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17

The Seven Holy Founders of the
Servite Order
Genesis 11:1-9
Psalms 33:10-15
Mark 8:34—9:1

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Hebrews 11:1-7
Psalms 145: 2-5, 10-11
Mark 9:2-13

NEXT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18
Psalms 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13
1 Corinthians 3:16-23
Matthew 5:38-48

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Feelings and Shiny Things

A friend of mine has a tradition on the first birthday of her children. Three items — a coin, a shot glass, and a rosary — are placed in front of the one-year-old, and whatever object he grasps supposedly bears insight into his future. A coin promises wealth, the rosary indicates holiness, and the shot glass... well, I'm sure you can guess.

Of course, the kid just grabs whatever looks coolest. They're not really choosing money or God or a party. Their choice is ruled by impulse.

These days, "I'm not feeling it," is a genuine excuse to avoid something. "I feel that," we say to indicate agreement. "I feel like..." is an acceptable way to offer our opinion. Feelings carry a lot of weight.

Before Christ, there was only the law, and the law dealt primarily with actions. *Do this. Do not do this.* All well and good. But with the fulfillment of the law, Christ wants us to look inwardly. He wants us to consider the influence of our feelings on our actions, and to understand how our chosen actions can, in turn, inspire certain feelings.

I'm a millennial, so, depending on your age, you may think that I feel either too much or too little. One thing I have learned, though, is that when I give my feelings free rein, my instincts immediately turn into actions. I become the toddler grasping at shiny objects with no thought for what they represent. Anger becomes unkindness. Jealousy becomes cruelty. Fear becomes selfishness.

Free will, I have come to understand, means freedom from the tyranny of feelings. If a feeling is strong enough, it can build a prison.

"If your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away."

— Matthew 5:30

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Prayer for the Sick

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Prayer for Vocations

O Virgin Mary, we commend to you those who seek to follow your son as priests, brothers and sisters. You know the difficulties, struggles and obstacles they face. Assist them to utter their “yes” to the divine call as you did at the invitation of the angel. Draw them near to your heart so that they may understand the joy and beauty that awaits when the Lord calls them. Make them witness the Lord’s love. Enable them to inspire the church with their consecration. May your all powerful intercession touch the hearts of many that they may respond to the Lord’s call. Repeat to them in the depths of their hearts what you said to the waiters at Cana: “Do whatever Jesus asks.” Amen.

Pope St. John Paul II

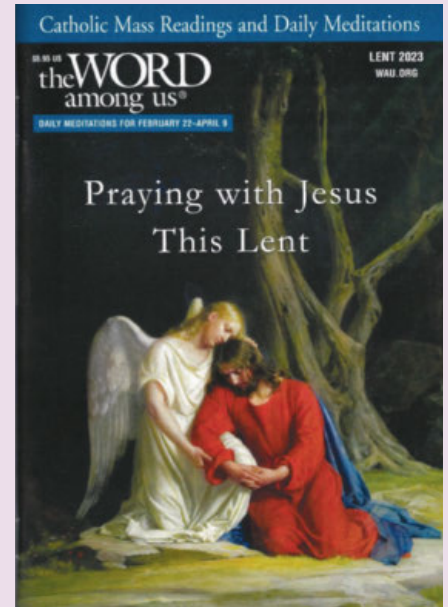
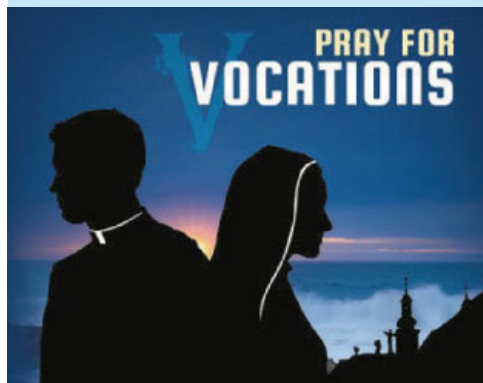
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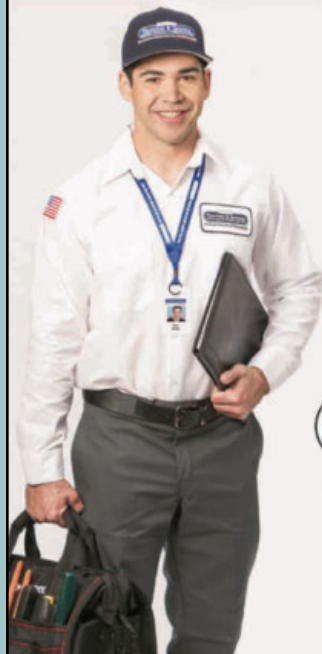
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