



# THE WITNESS

## OUR LADY QUEEN OF MARTYRS

### CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL

MARCH 26, 2023 | THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT



## 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

Monday, Mar. 27 6:30-7:30pm

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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



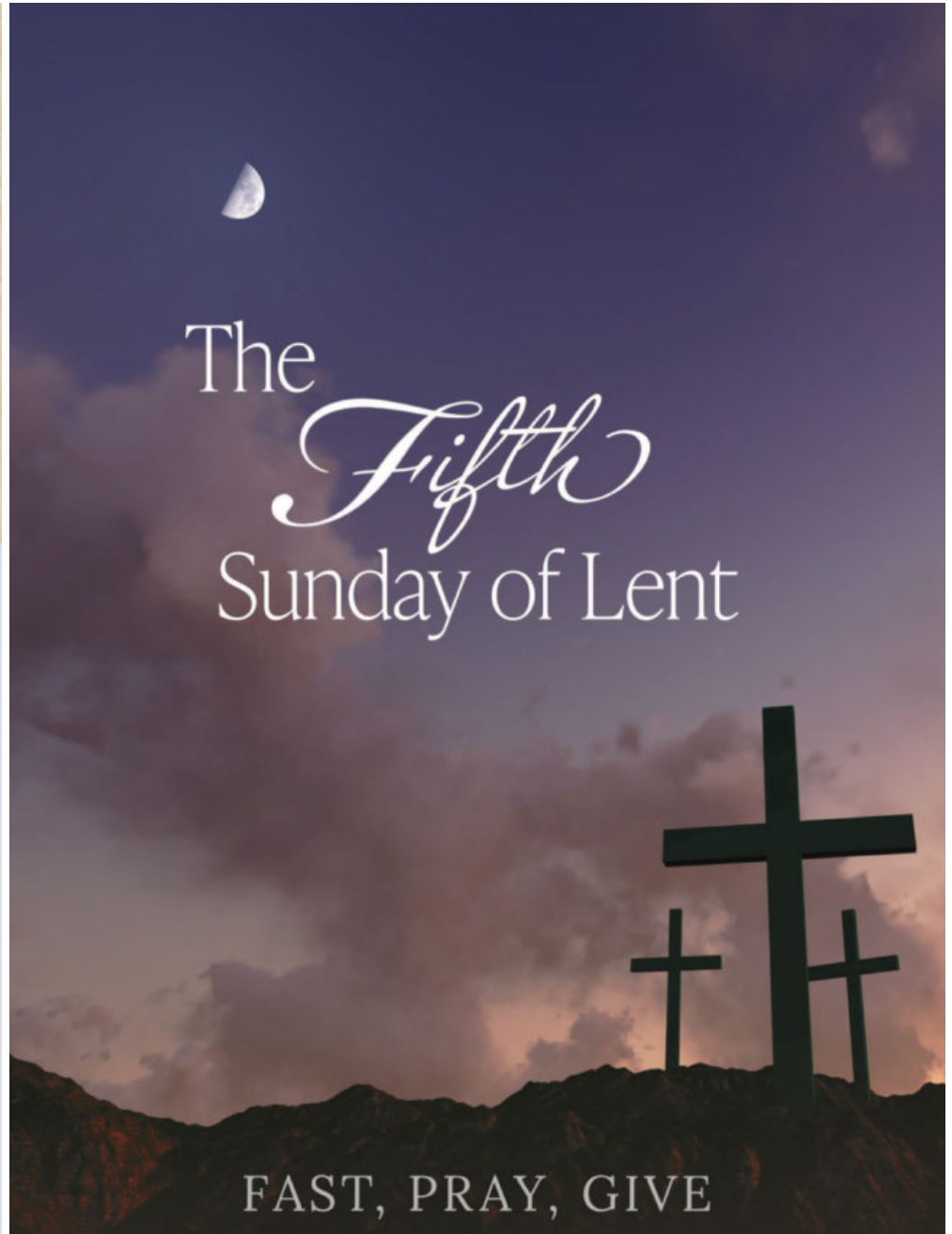
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## OUR PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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, March 27

8:30 am Mass

6:30 pm Parish Reconciliation Service

Tuesday, March 28

8:30 am Mass

7:00 pm Catholic Biblical School

Wednesday, March 29

8:00 am Mother's Club

8:30 am Mass/Perpetual Help  
Devotions

3:30 pm Children's Choir Rehearsal

7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 30

8:30 am Mass

9:00 am OLQM Women's Group

7:00 pm Lenten Young Adult  
Adoration & Reconciliation

Friday, March 31

8:30 am Mass

9:00 am Exposition & Adoration

2:00 pm Stations of the Cross

4:30 pm Fish Fry

6:45 pm Benediction

7:00 pm Stations of the Cross

7:00 pm WAMS Play "Wonka Jr."

Saturday, April 1

7:00 am Men's Bible Study

8:30 am Men's Coffee & Christ

2:00 pm WAMS Play "Wonka Jr."

3:00 pm Confessions

5:00 pm Mass

Sunday, April 2

### Palm Sunday

8:00 am Mass

10:00 am Mass

11:00 am RCIA

12:00 pm Mass

6:30 pm Lenten Rosary

## BULLETIN DEADLINE

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

Deliver to the Parish Office  
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### 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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Steve Sequin - Secretary

Tim Weed

Beth Howes

### 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!

March 26, 2023

Written by  
THE  
FAITHFUL  
DISCIPLE

## Fifth Sunday of Lent

Ez 37:12-14 | Rom 8:8-11 | Jn 11:1-45

### GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

In today's Gospel, we see so clearly the fully human nature of Jesus even in the midst of him revealing his divine nature in raising Lazarus from the dead. On hearing that his friend Lazarus had died, Jesus "wept," and he became "perturbed and deeply troubled." We see his love for Martha and Mary, and the freedom he gives them to love him fully in return, and to expect things of him. Each of them confronts Jesus, exasperated: Had you come earlier, our brother would not have died! Yet in the same breath, they express their faith that Jesus is the resurrection and the life. As we continue our Lenten journey, we can rest assured that Jesus is never far from us and that he understands our human longings, struggles and pain. Like Martha and Mary, we can place our faith in Jesus here, now and for eternity.

### GO EVANGELIZE

#### PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

The raising of Lazarus foreshadows Christ's death and resurrection and reminds us of God's enduring power over death. That can, at times, seem a small comfort as we confront our own mortality or mourn the loss of those dear to us. Yet, just as Jesus showed his love for Lazarus, Martha and Mary, we, too, can extend our love and support for others in their grief. We can show our love through our simple presence, a thoughtful card or an offer to pray for the deceased person and their family. In these ways, we can strengthen our own faith and that of others. As we hear in today's Gospel, "Now many of the Jews who had come to Mary and seen what he had done began to believe in him."

**ACTION** As we grow closer to Holy Week, now is a good time to participate in the sacrament of reconciliation. Has it been a while? The U.S. Bishops provide a helpful guide on their website: [usccb.org](http://usccb.org).



The Raising of Lazarus, by Alessandro Turchi, CCO

## Deacon Chris's Corner.....



One of my family's favorite animated series, as my children were growing up, was *Veggie Tales*. This show is about different vegetables, as an example, Larry the Cucumber and Bob the Tomato, who star as different biblical characters or different random characters with moral dilemmas. The musical shows and movies they write and produce are wholesome, thought-provoking, certainly spiritual, and very funny.

One of the movies they put together was *Jonah*, from the Book of Jonah in the bible. In this animated musical, there is an epic revival song called *Second Chances*. The song illuminates the truth that we have a God of second chances, referring to the second chance He gave the Ninevites from sin, as well as Jonah, who did not want to be a prophet for the benefit of the Ninevites.

Today's Gospel about the raising of Lazarus from the dead might appear like a second chance that God has given Lazarus from a physical standpoint. But make no mistake about it: Jesus raises Lazarus from the dead to show us how God gives us second, third, fourth, fifth.....chances as it relates to our spiritual lives and the sin that breaks our relationship with Him.

If we believe that Jesus is the "Resurrection and the Life", He will give us a second chance from the death that sin has caused us, by raising us from sin and death and suffering, and giving us eternal life.

Our God is a god of second chances. He loves us so much that He sent His Son, Jesus Christ, to rescue us from the power of sin and death and suffering, and to raise us to new life in Him.

From the lyrics of *Second Chances*, in the movie, *Jonah: Praise the Lord, He's the God of second chances, you'll be floored how His love your life enhances, you can be restored from your darkest circumstances, our God is a God of second chances!*

With great gratitude to God,

Deacon Chris Beltowski

*"And when he had said this, he cried out in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, tied hand and foot with burial bands, and his face was wrapped in a cloth. So Jesus said to them, "Untie him and let him go." (John 11:43-44)*



## Liturgical Schedule

### 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

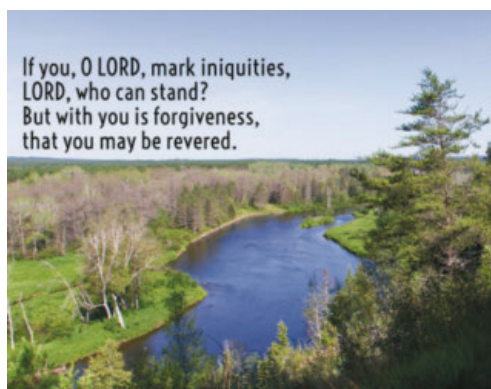
Monday, March 27<sup>th</sup>  
at 6:30 to 7:30 pm

### West Maple Family of Catholic Parishes

### Reconciliation Service

*(with private confessions)*

Holy Name Parish  
Tuesday, March 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm





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

Upcoming **Monday** sessions are: April 3, 17, 24

The **Sunday Family Program** meets  
April 16, 2023 beginning with Noon Mass.



### Thank you, Adele

On March 19, Adele Prando, sixth grader in the OLQM Sunday Faith Formation program, did a remarkable job of leading the community in the recitation of the Rosary. We are so grateful to you Adele and the entire Prando family for supporting this prayer service.

### Third Scrutiny for the Elect

This weekend we celebrate the third and final scrutiny. We, as a community of faith, pray that these individuals who will receive the sacraments of initiation at the Easter Vigil will be given a spirit of repentance, a sense of sin, and the true freedom of the Children of God. This is also an opportunity for all of us to search our minds and hearts and pray for forgiveness and healing.

Our Elect and Candidates will for the last time be dismissed to reflect deeply and, in community, on the Word of God. They will contemplate these important insights from the scripture among others:

- We humans are the only creatures that have knowledge of our own death. This knowledge places us in a state of anxiety and insecurity especially as we age.
- Jesus refuses to fear death. He speaks of the 12 hours of sunlight in a day. He points out the pattern in nature. The other 12 hours of darkness will come (a metaphor for death) but they will not last.
- Jesus invites the onlookers to participate in the resurrection of Lazarus. He asks them to roll the stone away, unbind him and let him go free. We too have a part to play in creating a culture of life. Jesus invites us to share in His work.
- The stone is a metaphor for fear of death, the finality of death and blindness that keeps us from seeing that death is merely a part of a larger mystery called life. Death does not have the final word.

As we all journey through Lent as a community of faith let's share what we learn with each other and how we are growing closer to God. What is not communicated is lost. In just two weeks we are excited to welcome these individuals to the Table of the Lord.

Mary Garlow  
Director of Faith Formation  
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"The Eucharistic presence of Christ begins at the moment of the consecration and endures as long as the Eucharistic species subsist. Christ is present whole and entire in each of the species and whole and entire in each of their parts, in such a way that the breaking of the bread does not divide Christ."

~ CCC 1377



## Music Notes

By Sarah Dudek, Music Director

Frequently Asked Liturgy Questions: How do I get anything out of the Mass?

The Mass has more graces for us than our minds can conceive. Participating in the holy sacrifice of the Mass is taking part in the most powerful prayer on earth, given to us by God himself. Even on the days when we do not feel emotionally or mentally connected, it is important to understand that we are still receiving graces, although we may not feel it. While this thought should be a comfort to us on our difficult days, it does not give us license to remain emotionally or mentally disconnected through our lack of effort. The best way to get more out of the Mass is preparation. We are called to set aside time for prayer every day. If we use some of that time to prepare for the Mass, our prayer life will deepen, and our connection with God will only increase. We can prepare by reading the scriptures for the upcoming Sunday. These scriptures can be found through so many resources, be it the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops website ([usccb.org](http://usccb.org)), or through apps like iBreviary or Hallow, or through printed resources like the Magnificat or Word Among Us books. Using any of these resources to read and meditate on the scriptures allows us to hear so much more in the remaining texts of the liturgy and have our questions answered, making the Mass all the more enriching to our everyday lives.

### Reflection on this week's antiphons:

For the fifth Sunday in Lent, we hear the story of the raising of Lazarus in the Gospel. While it is easy to hear the positive side of this story and the incredible act of God to raise Lazarus from the dead, our antiphons show us a more complete picture. Not everyone was happy to see Lazarus rise from the dead. It was not difficult for Jesus to raise Lazarus, but he could not change the hearts of the Pharisees and other religious leaders without their permission. And while Martha and Mary rejoiced to have their brother restored to them, the Pharisees went from this miraculous scene of resurrection to plotting Jesus' death and Lazarus' as well. They sought immediately to destroy God's good works. It is in this moment that we remember that Jesus is on his way to the Cross and to Calvary. As we prepare for Holy Week, the remaining texts of our antiphons cry out to God for vindication and mercy. Like Jesus on his way to the Cross, we ask God for strength and mercy in our trials. We recount God's amazing acts that bring life to us, and which inspire our trust in God. The raising of Lazarus shows us God's powers of resurrection. We can trust him in our current trials, and that as we embrace our own crosses, God will bring us to new life in him.

### Getting ready for Holy Week:

The first day of the Triduum (Latin for "Three Days"), is Holy Thursday, where we celebrate the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper. There are two main themes associated with this liturgy: the institution of the Eucharist (God's love for us), and a call to fraternal charity (our love for each other). At the Last Supper, Jesus washed the feet of his disciples, giving us an example and a new commandment: that we love one another as Jesus has loved us. This call to fraternal charity is fulfilled in the offertory text, which proclaims: *Ubi caritas est vera, Deus ibi est*. This means that where charity is true, God is there. We make God present by loving our brothers and sisters in Christ. In the liturgy, while this offertory text is sung, the congregation brings forward gifts for the poor along with the bread and wine to be consecrated. When we celebrate the Eucharist, God's total outpouring of himself for our sake, we remember that we are called to pour out of ourselves, to pour out of our gifts, to pour out of our possessions, for those we love.



## 2023 Holy Week Schedule

### Holy Thursday

Thursday, April 6

NO 8:30 am Mass

7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

8:30 to 11:00 pm Adoration  
(in Church)

### Good Friday

Friday, April 7

NO 8:30 am Mass

12:30 pm Stations of the Cross

1:00 pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

### Holy Saturday

Saturday, April 8

12:00 pm Blessing of the Food

8:00 pm Mass of the Easter Vigil

### Easter Sunday

Sunday, April 9

8:00 am Mass

10:00 am Mass

12:00 pm Mass



Shake, Rattle & Roll  
at  
**OLQM'S**  
Daddy Daughter Dance!

Friday, April 21st  
7 - 9 pm  
OLQM Gym

All OLQM school and parish girls are invited to attend a fun evening of dancing, photos, crafts, and refreshments! 50s attire optional

40\$ per couple  
5\$ per additional daughter

Please visit OLQM's website for tickets



OLQM 69<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL!

**FISH FRY**

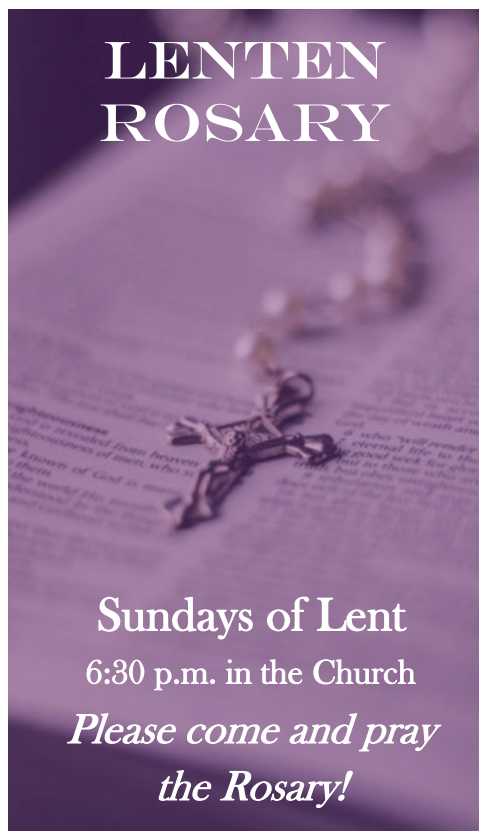
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March 31<sup>st</sup> | 4:30 to 8:00 pm | OLQM Gym

**Boy Scout Open House**  
**Tuesday, April 4, 7pm - 8:30pm**

Troop 1029 at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs is having an information night for all boys 5th - 8" grade who may be interested in scouting. No experience necessary! Spring is the traditional time to join and prepare for the wonderful week at summer camp and future adventures. Scouting values of Faith, Family and Citizenship are reflected in all we do. Leadership and self-confidence are developed when learning skills in swimming, camping, cooking, first aid and more.

The Open House will be in the Youth Room at OLQM which is located at the Parish Office building. For more information call or text Cayce Sowle, Scoutmaster at 248.752.1534 or Theresa Genevich at 248.943.6667



**LENTEN ROSARY**

Sundays of Lent  
6:30 p.m. in the Church

*Please come and pray the Rosary!*



UNPACK THE MYSTERIES OF  
**Revelation**  
AN 11-PART BIBLE STUDY FEATURING  
JEFF CAVINS

GREAT ADVENTURE

**Attention Men!**

The Men's Bible Study Group will be studying *Revelation* and how the kingdom established by Christ in his Church is intimately connected with the kingdom of heaven. Video presenter Jeff Cavins pulls back the veil on the rich symbolism present in Revelation. Discover what the mysterious figures and images of Revelation mean and see how Revelation is more than an apocalyptic vision of the "end times."

**Dates:** Saturdays on 4/1 to 6/17, except 4/8 and 5/27

**Where:** OLQM Social Hall at 7-8:30 am

**Cost:** under \$40.00 for materials

**For more information:** Steve Sequin,  
[stephensequin@gmail.com](mailto:stephensequin@gmail.com)



## From the School



First grade is finishing up their PBL science unit! We have been studying and learning about animal adaptations. Students read books, watched videos, and discussed different ways that animals adapt. They then took that information and are now applying it to ways in which humans can adapt. Each group has come up with an invention for humans to use based off of an animal adaptation. The groups worked together to create a sketch of their product, as well as incorporating text features such as labels and captions in their drawings. They are very excited to start building their designs out of recycled materials this week!

~ Miss Katrina Barauskas



## Come...walk with us on our journey!

We are seminarians at Sacred Heart Major Seminary in Detroit



**THIS WEEKEND!**

Every year in preparation for ordination to the priesthood our first-year theology class makes a pilgrimage to the Holy Land. We will spend four weeks participating in intensive prayer, study and spiritual formation. Our journey will end in Rome.

The Detroit-Oakland Serra Club and the OLQM Knights invite you **and your family** to

### THE 2023 DESERT MEAL

A potluck dinner to support our seminarians on their journey

**Sunday, March 26, 2023 (3-6 PM)**

National Shrine of the Little Flower, Grade School Gym; 12 Mile at Woodward, Royal Oak

Please **RSVP** by March 21st: Call **Marte Bewick** at **248.761.2175**

The Desert Experience is funded by your generous donations at this Desert Meal.





OUR LADY QUEEN OF MARTYRS  
WIG AND MASK SOCIETY PRESENTS

Next  
Weekend!

Roald Dahl's  
**Willy Wonka JR.**

Words and Music by  
Leslie Bricusse and  
Anthony Newley

Based on the book  
*Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*  
by Roald Dahl

Adapted for the Stage by  
Leslie Bricusse and  
Timothy A. McDonald

**MARCH 31 7:00 PM**  
**APRIL 1 2:00 PM**


**SEAHOLM HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM**  
2436 W Lincoln Street, Birmingham

TICKETS:  
\$25 Reserved  
\$15 General Admission  
5 & Under Free

[olqmcatholicsschool.org](http://olqmcatholicsschool.org)

Produced in partnership with Dream Arts Co.

Roald Dahl's *Willy Wonka JR.* is presented through special arrangement with and all authorized materials are supplied by Music Theatre International, New York, NY (212) 541-4654 - mtishows.com



**OOMPA LOOMPA DOOMPADEE DOO**  
**THERE'S A PERFORMANCE, A PERFORMANCE FOR YOU!**  
**OOMPA LOOMPA DOOMPADEE DUM**  
**STARRING STUDENTS FROM OLQM!**

OLQM's Wig and Mask Society (WAMS) invites you to join us as we journey to a "world of pure imagination." Thirty-eight OLQM students will present their version of *Willy Wonka JR.*, a musical based on Roald Dahl's timeless children's book, *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* **March 31** and **April 1** at Seaholm High School Auditorium in Birmingham. In this story, five children who found a golden ticket in one of Willy Wonka's candy bars, receive a tour of a lifetime through his secret factory.

**SHOW TICKETS! A SWEET TREAT FOR ALL GENERATIONS!**

Be sure to get your show tickets and share this sweet event with your friends and family on and offline! Tickets are \$25 for reserved seats, \$15 general admission and 5 and under are FREE! New this year, reserved seat tickets allow you to pick available seats from our online seat map for the show date you choose. **To get show tickets and other show information, visit our show website (<https://olqmwams.ludus.com>) or scan the QR code above.**

# PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

## CATHOLIC TRIVIA JUST FOR FUN

### Question:

How many Stations of the Cross are there?

### Last Week's Answer:

What is the first day of Lent called?

Ash Wednesday

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## FEBRUARY OFFERTORY REPORT

Fiscal Year 7/01/2022 - 6/30/2023

Offertory thru February 28, 2023

**Budget \$559,089**

**Actual \$561,220**

**Variance \$2,132**

Christmas thru February 28, 2023

**Budget \$160,000**

**Actual \$134,210**

**Variance (\$25,790)**

Totals thru February 28, 2023

**Budget \$719,089**

**Actual \$695,430**

**Variance (\$23,658)**



## Fridays of Lent

### Exposition and Adoration

after 8:30 a.m. Mass

Benediction at 6:45 p.m.

Followed by

Stations of the Cross

7:00 p.m.

*Please sign up for prayer times  
in the vestibule!*



## Ladies of Charity St. Vincent dePaul EASTER HAM DRIVE MATCHAN NUTRITION CENTER

OLQM is invited to participate in the 13th Annual LOC Easer Ham Drive for the Matchan Nutrition Center, a Soup Kitchen in Pontiac, which is sponsored by the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

If you are willing to donate a ham this year, just bring it to Our Lady Queen of Martyrs' parking lot (behind the church) on Monday April 3rd between 9:00 AM and 11:00 where a van will be ready to take the hams to the Nutrition Center. (Monetary donations can be sent to Mary Ottney at 32355 Arlington, Beverly Hills, 48025.)

Since 1984, Matchan has served hot cooked-from-scratch meals to our neighbors in need in the Pontiac area. Matchan also provides life changing assistance that leads to self-sufficiency, by providing space for Social and Government agencies that service our neighbors thoroughout the year. Covid in 2020 changed the way we did things, but we remained open to feed the needy. In 2022, we lost our lease after serving for 38 years at one location. However, we found a new location and are once again serving hot sit-down meals. Our pantry has become a Market Place, giving away four times the pre-covid amount of food, including eggs, milk, produce, bakery products and meat. Through the years, we've continued to meet the challenges to help our neighbors in Pontiac.

For more information about the Matchan Center, see our website at:

[www.matchannutritioncenter.org](http://www.matchannutritioncenter.org)

For more information about the Easter Ham Drive, call Mary Ottney at 248-646-9945.

Frank Schmid, OLQM SVdP Conferece Matchan Nutrition Center, Co-founder & Board Member

## SUNDAY'S READINGS

### First Reading:

I will put my spirit in you that you may live, and I will settle you upon your land; thus you shall know that I am the LORD. (Ez 37:14)

### Psalm:

With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption. (Ps 130)

### Second Reading:

If the Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, the one who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also, through his Sprit dwelling in you. (Rom 8:11)

### Gospel:

"I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die." (Jn 11:25-26)

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Christian Service at OLQM

**DARE**

to be a

Disciple

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## Annual Blood Drive - THIS SUNDAY, MARCH 26

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



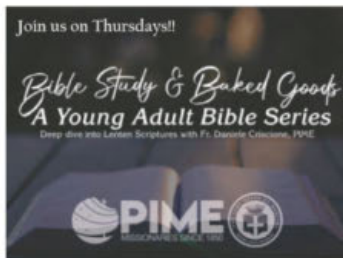
## Welcome Ministry - MARCH

Looking for a simple and easy way to serve your church, get service time in, put your faith into action, get to Mass on time or simply to do what Jesus asks us to do? This is the outreach for YOU and or your Family! We are in need of volunteers to welcome the faithful who attend Masses on the weekend here at OLQM. Please join us in welcoming them! -  
Sign up online: <https://bit.ly/WelcMar23>



## 40 Days for Life - Through MARCH 28

Help Save lives by praying for an end to abortion Join OLQM Knights of Columbus Tuesdays at Planned Parenthood Ferndale, 23338 Woodward Ave.  
**March 28, from 6:00 to 7:00 pm or 7:00 - 8:00 pm.**  
Sign up online: <https://bit.ly/40DaysLent23>



## Bible Study & Baked Goods

Thursdays in MARCH - 7-9 PM

Scan QR code (right) for details - and please join us!



"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

# PRAYER AND WORSHIP



## MASS INTENTIONS for the week of March 27 - April 2

### MONDAY, MARCH 27

8:30 am †Thomas Payne

### TUESDAY, MARCH 28

8:30 am Special Intention for  
Kate Voss

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29

8:30 am Special Intention for  
Kelly Simmons

### THURSDAY, MARCH 30

8:30 am †John J. McGrath

### FRIDAY, MARCH 31

8:30 am †Eugenia Spencer

### SATURDAY, APRIL 1

5:00 pm †Genevieve Browne  
†Brian McConnell  
†George Budkowski

### SUNDAY, APRIL 2

8:00 am For the People of the Parish

10:00 am †Jan Thibodeau  
†Bill Wallace

12:00 pm Special Intention for  
Luke Voss  
Special Intention for  
Cindy Squires

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

## MASS READINGS for the week of March 26 - April 2

### SUNDAY, MARCH 26

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

Ezekiel 37:12-14  
Psalms 130:1-8  
Romans 8:8-11  
John 11:1-45

### MONDAY, MARCH 27

Daniel 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62  
Psalms 23:1-6  
John 8:1-11

### TUESDAY, MARCH 28

Numbers 21:4-9  
Psalms 102:2-3, 16-21  
John 8:21-30

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29

Daniel 3:14-20, 91-92, 95  
Daniel 3:52-56  
John 8:31-42

### THURSDAY, MARCH 30

Genesis 17:3-9  
Psalms 105:4-9  
John 8:51-59

### FRIDAY, MARCH 31

Jeremiah 20:10-13  
Psalms 18:2-7  
John 10:31-42

### SATURDAY, APRIL 1

Ezekiel 37:21-28  
Jeremiah 31:10-13  
John 11:45-56

### NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 2

**Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord  
Holy Week begins**

Matthew 21:1-11  
Isaiah 50:4-7  
Psalms 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24  
Philippians 2:6-11  
Matthew 26:14—27:66

## GOSPEL MEDITATION

March 26, 2023  
The 5th Sunday of Lent

Of all Jesus' miracles, the most unsettling might be when he made a dead person alive. We know of three times when he did so: a girl, a young man, and Lazarus. The miracle teaches us he has the power of life and death. He anticipates his resurrection. Sin hurts us. Some sin kills us, spiritually. The three miracles reveal to us that no matter our circumstances, Jesus can give life to us.

The three miracles are instructive of the three ways we feel dead. The little dead girl symbolizes sin before it has time to mature. She's in bed and, once alive, gets right back to her life. The young man is lying in his casket in a funeral procession. This is sin allowed to fester, to grow and become somewhat normalized. Once raised, he has a short walk back home. Lazarus, a full-grown dead man, lies wrapped in burial bands in the tomb. Once he is raised, much needs to be done. He'll need to remove those bands, find new clothes, and travel all the way back home. That is sin allowed to go all the way, unchecked for months or years. It's the most spectacular of the three and reveals Jesus' glory more than the others.

What hope that should give us, for us and those whom we love! Jesus knows our sin hurts us and can even kill us spiritually. No matter the extent of the damage, he is always ready for the miracle of making the dead fully alive.

— *Father John Muir*

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## LIVE THE LITURGY

Though weighed down by grief, Martha rushes out to meet Jesus. She may not understand why he was absent upon the death of her brother, but her faithfulness is undeterred. In the hour of her heartbreak, she knows her only solace is in the embrace of the Lord.

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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*

*Please pray for our OLQM parishioners who are currently in formation:*

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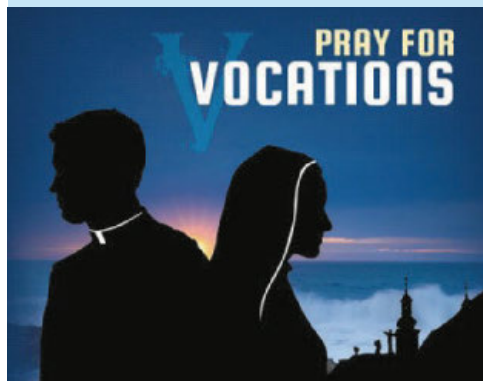
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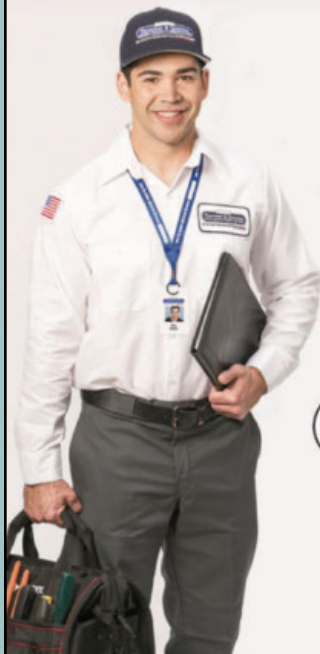
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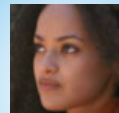
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