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Vision Statement:

We will be a parish who lives
the message and mission of
Jesus.



Madonna Della Strada Fresco (13th-14th Century), Chiesa del Gesù, Roma

February 19, 2023
Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



Celebrate 70 with Us 1953-2023

Our Lady of the Wayside enters her 70th year as a Catholic Parish this year, and we can't wait to come together as a community through service, celebration and prayer! Join us in learning about our history and by participating in events to connect with Christ and each other in this joyous, parish-wide celebration. Look for more information in our bulletin and online in the weeks ahead.

Save the Date!

Please join us for a year of events. See some of the upcoming events in our calendar as well as our featured event below. We hope you will join us throughout 2023!

FEB	70 Hours Adoration
MAR	Multi-Parish Mission
JUN	All Parish Picnic
SEP	Oktoberfest

70 Hours of Adoration

Drop in and pray a Holy Hour with us beginning on Ash Wednesday. If you can "captain" one (or more) hour(s), please register using the QR code.



**Sign up for
your hour
today!**

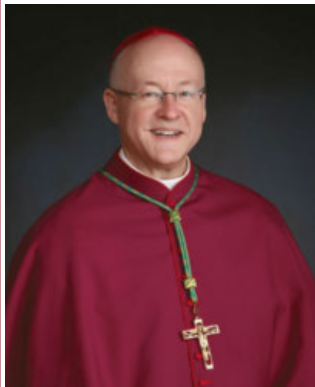


From Father Arthur

I am so excited for to be part of this moment in our parish history. And, there is no better way to kick off our events than by adoring our Lord in the Blessed Eucharist. It is my hope that all of our parishioners can find just one hour to spend with him and offer prayers for our parish during this celebratory year.

Interested in helping or just need more information? Contact us at Celebrate70@olwparish.org.

WAYSIDE WELCOMES BISHOP JEFFREY GROB



Bishop Jeffrey S. Grob

Please mark your calendar and join us for Mass on **Saturday, February 18,** at **5:00 pm.**

Our Lady of the Wayside will warmly welcome The Most Reverend Jeffrey Grob, who will concelebrate mass with Father Arthur and share happy news related to our parish and the Archdiocese's **Renew My Church** program.

Following mass, please drop by the Gathering Place to visit with the Bishop.



SHARING CHRIST'S DIVINITY

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A



Father Arthur Marat

The love with which God commands us to love in today's Gospel reading is so radical, so counter-intuitive, so demanding that we cannot truly love without God's grace. The sacraments are the source of the graces that we need to follow God's Commandments. For, in each of the sacraments, but in the Eucharist par excellence, we receive God Himself.

During every celebration of the Holy Mass, the priest inaudibly prays, "By the mystery of this water and wine, may we come to share in the divinity of Christ, who humbled himself to share in our humanity." Every time we receive the Blessed Sacrament in a state of grace, we—in the words of St. Augustine—"become what we receive." In other words, we are gradually transformed into as if Christ, we participate in His divinity, and we are bestowed with the grace and the ability to love heroically as He Loves.

I would like to invite each of you to approach the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass with the awareness that we **as Catholics believe that we receive the actual Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ.** I would like to invite you to prepare yourselves to receive the Eucharist worthily by making sure that you have made a good confession and are in a state of grace before every reception; for, only then will God be able to give you the graces you need to be holy, to be and love like Him in both His divinity and His humanity.

Yours in Christ,
Father Arthur



OUR PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20
IN OBSERVANCE OF

PRESIDENT'S DAY

DID YOU KNOW...

Our parish is named after a 13th-14th Century fresco of the Blessed Mother and Child, painted on a wall in St. Mary of The Way (Madonna Della Strada) Church in Rome. The church was located on a ceremonial route on which the pope made his way to and from Roman stational churches. In 1568, The Church of Jesus (Chiesa del Gesù) was erected on the site of the former church, and the fresco has been on display there ever since.



70 Hours of Adoration

As part of **CELEBRATE 70!** (OLW's 70th Year anniversary celebration), we will offer 70 hours of Eucharistic Adoration in the Gathering Place beginning on Ash Wednesday, February 22 at 5 PM, continuing through Saturday, February 25 at 3 PM. **All are welcome. No registration necessary.**

Adoration offers a time to worship God in the person of Jesus Christ who is truly present in the Eucharist. In adoration we receive the grace of God's Mercy and become merciful so that we can give it to others. Our world is in desperate need of hope, renewal, and turning back to God. By visiting Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, we take up the best weapon for the battles of our age and contribute to the healing of our culture. Eucharistic adoration also bears tremendous fruit in our own hearts and lives. We cannot spend time in the rays of His Eucharistic Presence without receiving His grace, His love, His mercy, His peace.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament requires at least one Adorer present for each of the 70 hours. If you are willing to captain one (or more) hour(s), scan the QR code with your phone's camera to register.

Adoration is a great start way to start your Lenten journey.



LET'S PUT OUR
Faith into Action



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19
10:30-11:30AM
OLW GYM

DROP IN!
OR
STAY THE WHOLE HOUR!

Service Hour Opportunity!



Service

Assemble activity kits for kids in the hospital.



Prayer

Pray for those receiving what you've made.



Take

A Lenten family challenge

BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY! FUN FOR ALL AGES!



Please join us for **Surge of the Heart, a Lenten Mission** at Our Lady of the Wayside Church on Wednesday & Thursday, March 15 & 16, from 7:00–8:30 pm.

Jon Leonetti, international Catholic speaker and author, will lead the mission and present on...

- **Who is God and Why That Matters** (March 15)
- **God's Dream for Your Life** (March 16)

Questions? Contact Deacon Peter LeTourneau at: (847) 253-5353 or pletourneau@archchicago.org.

This multi-parish mission is sponsored by Saints Colette, Edna, Mary, and Our Lady of the Wayside parishes.



LENT 2023



A Season of Renewal



People don't often look forward to Lent. It can evoke childhood memories of giving up candy, going to weekly confession and sitting through stations of the cross. Words like "sacrifice," "discipline," and "self-denial" are frequently used in ways that suggest that Lent is something

to be endured rather than a time of grace and spiritual growth.

Have you ever thought of Lent as a yearly second chance? Each year the Church gives us six weeks to take a long, loving look at our lives to see if our values and priorities are in line with God's desires for us. Since most of us find that we've wandered from God's path, Lent becomes that second chance, or do-over, to "return to God with our whole heart."

Pope Francis tells us that Lent is a new beginning, a path towards continual conversion of heart. Adoration of the Holy Eucharist is a powerful tool for conversion. Beginning at 5:00 pm on Ash Wednesday you will have the opportunity to stop by the Gathering Place for the first of our **Celebrate 70** events, **70 hours of Perpetual Adoration** continuing through 3:00 pm Saturday February 25.

In addition to 70 hours of Adoration, we have a full calendar of opportunities for you as you journey through this season of renewal. In March we will introduce **Tuesdays Together**, a time of Adoration, Reconciliation, and Evening Mass. On March 15 & 16, Jon Leonetti will lead this year's **Multi-parish Mission – Surge of the Heart**. Two evenings you do not want to miss. We look forward to walking this journey with you through this season of renewal.

Many Blessings,
Deacon Peter LeTourneau
Director of Parish Ministry & Evangelization

Lent 2023 at Our Lady of the Wayside

Opportunities for prayer and spiritual growth

ASH WEDNESDAY (February 22)

Schedule for Ash Distribution

- 7:00 am – Prayer Service
- 8:30 am – Mass
- Noon – Mass
- 2:00 pm – School Mass
- 4:00 pm – Mass
- 7:00 pm Mass
- Ashes will be distributed in the Parish Center from 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

70 HOURS OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION (Celebrate 70!)

- Wednesday from 5:00 pm February 22 until 3:00 pm Saturday February 26
- In the Gathering Place

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

- Fridays during Lent (February 24 – March 31) at 7:00 pm

TUESDAYS TOGETHER

- March 7, 14, 21, 28 and April 4
- 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm
 - Adoration and Confession
- 7:00 pm – Evening Mass

MULTI-PARISH MISSION (at OLW Church)

- Jon Leonetti – **Surge of the Heart**
- **Who is God and Why That Matters**
Wednesday March 15, 7:00 to 8:30 pm
- **God's Dream For Your Life**
Thursday March 16, 7:00 to 8:30 pm

MULTI-PARISH RECONCILIATION SERVICES

- Monday, March 27 at 7:00 pm – OLW
- Tuesday, March 28 at 3:00 pm – St. Edna
- Tuesday, March 28 at 7:00 pm – St. Mary
- Wednesday, March 29 at 7:00 pm – St. James
- Thursday, March 30 at 3:00 pm – St. Colette



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

REP Schedule for the Weeks of February 19 & 26, 2023

Tuesday, February 21

- 4 pm, 1st through 4th grade classes meet
- 7 pm, 5th and 6th grade classes meet

Wednesday, February 22 – ASH WEDNESDAY

Tuesday, February 28

- 4 pm, 1st through 4th grade classes meet
- 7 pm, 7th and 8th grade classes meet



We are Created in God's Image and Likeness



God made human beings in his image and likeness. But what does that mean?

Intellect. God created us so that we have the ability to explore and understand by using our intellects. Unlike animals that live primarily by instinct, humans live by learning, knowing, and understanding.

Free Will. We have the ability to choose and to decide. God gave us the freedom to freely choose, and it is up to us to choose what is true and good over what is false and evil.

Self-determination. Because God gave us free will we also have the freedom to choose how to act, and to decide the rightness or wrongness of an action, independent of the influence of another person.

Immortal Soul. Each of us has an interior life. The interior life is where we pray, praise, worship, and listen to God. It is where our relationship with God flourishes.

From: *Made in God's Image and Likeness* (catholicsociety.com)

LOOKING FOR SOME RINGERS



You may have heard the hand bell choir perform at various liturgies last year. Brass hand bells are a form of worship and lend a beautiful dimension to the mass.

We are a small group of musicians looking for additional members. Ability to read music is important. If you are interested but uncertain about the commitment, please drop in and observe any rehearsal. We practice on Thursday evenings in church from 7-8 pm.

If you have any questions about this ministry, contact Dan McMahon at 847-253-5353, ext. 225 or email: musicministry@olwparish.org.

OUR STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE



Sunday Collection for February 12, 2023

	This Week	Budget	Variance
Sunday Masses	\$9,052		
Mail and Walk-up	\$8,053		
eGiving	\$12,764		
Total Sunday	\$29,869	\$34,135	(\$4,266)

	This Week	To Date
Christmas	\$0	\$128,179

	This Week	YTD
School Support		
Rebek	\$220	\$5,655

Thank you for your generosity!



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WALKING ON THE ROAD WITH JESUS



2023 Annual Catholic Appeal

annualcatholicappeal.com

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Please Make Your Gift to the 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal

Walking on the road with Jesus

Our parish is conducting our campaign for the Annual Catholic Appeal. Please remember that the Annual Catholic Appeal is much different than a one-time special collection. It is a pledge campaign where you can make a gift payable in installments.

The new Annual Catholic Appeal theme, "Walking on the road with Jesus," is an important theme as we prayerfully consider our support for the Appeal but also important for embracing the life that the Lord wants us to live. Each pledge makes a difference! All parish communities participate in the campaign and the gifts of many enable our parishes, schools and ministries to deliver needed services. Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response. To make your gift, you can complete the mail-in giving envelope available at church or make a gift online through Our Lady of the Wayside's **GiveCentral Account** (simply scan QR code above using your mobile phone's camera, then follow the prompts), or the Archdiocese website at **annualcatholicappeal.com**. Thank you for your generosity!

OLW's newest **Bible Study for Women** will begin Sunday, April 16 at 7pm in the Gathering Space. We will use the study course **Fulfilled: Uncovering the Biblical Foundations of Catholicism** (Ascensionpress.com).

Fulfilled is a book and a two-part study exploring the biblical roots of the Catholic Faith. It uncovers God's consistent design for our worship of him and his relationship with us. Learn where the blueprint for the Catholic Faith was laid out in the Old Testament and how Jesus fulfilled it in the New Testament.

This study will begin after Easter so take time in Lent to ready your heart in mass, reconciliation, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and daily prayer. OLW offers all of this starting on Ash Wednesday, Feb 22nd.

COME AND SEE!

This study is open to all! Frequency of meetings will depend upon response. Questions can be directed to Flo Trunk at mflotrunk@gmail.com

IT'S TIME TO BE
FULFILLED!



WILLOWS ACADEMY

**A School Girls Love,
Traditional Values You Can Trust**

Girls in 6th - 12th grade and their families are discovering the All-Girls Advantage at Willows.

Spring Open House
Sunday, March 5th at 1:00 - 3:00 PM



YOUNG ADULTS JOIN BISHOP GROB FOR THE WAY OF THE CROSS



Young Adults, join Bishop Grob for Way of the Cross at Queen of the Rosary Church, 750 W. Elk Grove Blvd, in Elk Grove Village, on **Friday, February 24** at 6:00 pm.

Enjoy a Spaghetti Dinner at 6:30 pm at Queen of the Rosary School, 690 W. Elk Grove Blvd, in Elk Grove. Enter through door 7. Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$5 for children over 2. Purchase them by February 20.

Purchase tickets **HERE:**
<https://bit.ly/3jRUVg7> or scan the QR code with your mobile phone's camera.





More pics from CSW!
Mother-Son Fun, Daddy-Daughter Dance,
Student Appreciation Day, Spirit Day,
Buddy Bingo - all traditions that make us
proud to be a Catholic school



Bible Study

In Person & Online / Friday Morning 9:30



Join us for lively discussion of
next Sunday's readings:

Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7

Romans 5:12-19

Matthew 4:1-11

Join us in the Cabrini Room of the Parish Center
or email biblestudy@olwparish.org for a sign-in code.

Emily Holum Memorial Blood Drive



SCAN HERE
TO SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, FEB 26

8 AM – 2 PM

Our Lady of the Wayside Gym

Appointments Recommended.
Walk-ins welcome.



Emily Ann Holum was diagnosed with acute myeloid leukemia at the age of four. She bravely fought her battle for two years with grace, dignity and determination. She was small but mighty, earning her the nickname Mighty Mite. During her fight, Emmy needed numerous transfusions of blood products. For the many times Emmy needed some type of blood product and it was there for Emmy, her family would like to give back. In true Emmy spirit, this blood drive is a way that Emmy can continue to help others.

HELP SUPPORT PARISH YOUTH MINISTRIES AND SPECIAL OLYMPICS



**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS**
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.



Friday Fish Fries are Back!

The KC Hall | 15 N Hickory Avenue | Arlington Heights
Hall located 6 blocks east of Arlington Heights Road
and 2.5 blocks south of Euclid.

FAMILY, FRIENDS, NEIGHBORS ARE INVITED

Adults: \$15.00

Children 5–12: \$8.00

Children Under 5: Free

Carryout: \$13.00

Lenten Fridays:

02/24, **03/03***, 03/10,

03/17, 03/24, 03/31

Hours: 5:00 – 7:30 PM

Fish Dinner includes: deep fried cod, tater tots, coleslaw, mustaccoli with marinara sauce, cornbread muffins and complimentary coffee and tea. Full cash bar including free refills on soda.

* **March 3rd is OLW Youth Ministry Night** at the Fish Fry, with our teens volunteering to raise money to support their activities. Your support, and appetites, are appreciated!

Hall is available for rent. Call 847-255-4483.

Moving Forward In Hope

Join us for an evening of

Prayer, Connection & Hope

*Sponsored by the Archdiocese Commission
on Mental Illness*

Moving Forward in Hope is a monthly series of prayer, connection, and hope.

Our goal is to create a safe place for those living with or those caring for someone with mental health concerns to come together to pray and share with one another.

Connection is paramount to mental health and well-being. These virtual meetings will cover relevant topics and be held monthly on the fourth Tuesday

**Moving Forward In Hope
Tuesday, February 28th
7-8pm**

Please reach out to Deacon Tom Lambert at olmcinfo2@aol.com to register for this evening.

Signs of Teen Dating Violence

Romantic relationships between teenagers are incredibly complicated. The undertaking of a relationship, very often, requires more maturity than most teens have developed. These relationships are more likely to be riddled with problems include communication, jealousy, and selflessness. As a result, teenagers are more likely to be involved in relationships that are unhealthy, violent, and/or abusive. If you are a teenager involved in a romantic relationship it is important to understand the behaviors that may point to an unhealthy and/or abusive relationship.

Reg Flags in Teenage Relationships

Unhealthy or abusive relationships take many forms, and there is not one specific behavior that causes a relationship to be categorized as such. However, there are certain behaviors that should be cause for concern. Behaviors that should raise a red flag include:

Excessive jealousy or insecurity; Invasions of your privacy; Unexpected bouts of anger or rage; Unusual moodiness; Pressuring a partner into unwanted sexual activity; Blaming you for problems in the relationship and not taking any responsibility for the same; Controlling tendencies: Explosive temper; Preventing you from going out with or talking to other people; Constantly monitoring your whereabouts and checking in to see what you are doing and who you are with; Falsely accusing you of things; Vandalizing or ruining your personal property; Taunting or bullying; or Threatening or causing physical violence.

If your partner frequently engages in these behaviors, it may be wise to speak with someone with whom you feel comfortable. Adults who have experience with relationships may be able to provide advice that can help you to determine if you are in any danger.

If You Think You Are in an Abusive Relationship

If your partner exhibits any of the behaviors outlined above, or if your partner has physically harmed you in any way, there are many things you can do. Trust your gut – if you think you are in danger or in an unhealthy relationship, you should end it. If you are afraid of confronting your partner, or fearful of what they may say or do, there are numerous resources you can contact for help, guidance, or counseling. If you think you are in an abusive relationship, you should consider:

- Reaching out to a trusted friend, teacher, parent, or mentor;
- Spending more time with individual with whom you are comfortable;
- Getting involved with activities you enjoy that will allow you to associate with positive people;
- Seek the guidance of a school counselor or therapist; or
- Calling the **National Domestic Violence Hotline** at **800-799-SAFE (7233)**.



Studies have found that negative or abusive behaviors in unhealthy relationships are more likely to increase over time. Abuse escalates as the relationship progresses, and victims are more likely to sustain substantial injuries or harm. If you believe that you may be in an abusive or unhealthy relationship do not hesitate to ask for help. Teenage dating violence is more common than you know; you are not alone.

<https://www.teendvmonth.org/resources/signs-teen-dating-violence/>

Sunday, Feb 19, 2023

Kindness and care, from beginning to end

Sometimes you have to do things for yourself. Mathilda Beasley (1833-1903), of Creole and Native American parents, founded a Franciscan community of color in Savannah with little help from normal church channels. Her sisters cared for orphaned black children, continuing the work until things ran out: money, housing, and the health of Mother Beasley. Though the community was suppressed, Mother Beasley was the third founder of an order of black sisters in the United States, after Elizabeth Lange and Henriette Delille. God measures our efforts, not our success.

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TODAY'S READINGS: Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18; 1 Corinthians 3:16-23; Matthew 5:38-48 (79). *"For the wisdom of this world is foolishness in the eyes of God."*

Monday, Feb 20, 2023

Either part of the problem, or . . .

Imagine being a lifelong Catholic—yet being refused admittance to a Catholic school. Or being asked to move to the back of the church at Mass because of your race. Professor Thomas Wyatt Turner (1877-1978) experienced plenty of discrimination, which is why he helped found the NAACP in 1909 as well as the Federated Colored Catholics in 1924. The latter group pledged their services to the church "for whatever good they were able to effect in the solution of the problems facing the group in church and country." On this World Day of Social Justice, be part of the solution.

TODAY'S READINGS: Sirach 1:1-10; Mark 9:14-29 (341). *"Why could we not drive the spirit out?" [Jesus] said to them, 'This kind can only come out through prayer.'*"

Tuesday, Feb 21, 2023

Climb to holiness

Dante Alighieri, writing *The Divine Comedy*, paid Peter Damian the great honor of placing him in one of the highest circles of Paradise. In fact, Peter is the first of two important monastic figures to greet Dante in "seventh heaven," the other being Saint Benedict of Nursia. Both represent this heavenly level: spiritual contemplatives who've lived a life of temperance and prayer. Dante has Peter and Benedict climbing up and down a golden ladder, reminiscent of the "Ladder of Humility" (12 steps) described in the Benedictine Rule and the "Ladder of Divine Ascent" (30 steps) written by monastic Saint John Climacus. If you need to build a Lenten practice, step up to the task tomorrow.

MEMORIAL OF PETER DAMIAN, BISHOP, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

TODAY'S READINGS: Sirach 2:1-11; Mark 9:30-37 (342). *"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all."*

Wednesday, Feb 22, 2023

Out of the ashes

Happy Ash Wednesday! Yes, it can be a cause for celebration. Best known as the first day of Lent, this day remains sacred to Catholic communities in the West as a day of solemnity following the Carnival season, capped off yesterday with Mardi Gras ("Fat Tuesday"). Though most often associated with revelry and excess, the season just completed is also a holy one. Carnival is full of Catholic symbolism and festive acknowledgement of God and creation, in keeping with the church year and its marking of spiritual times and seasons. Now, as we enter a period of fasting and abstinence, let's remember to continue seeking God's

goodness in the rich traditions of the faith. Don't forget to stop by church for ashes today!

ASH WEDNESDAY; DAY OF FASTING AND ABSTINENCE

TODAY'S READINGS: Joel 2:12-18; 2 Corinthians 5:20—6:2; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18 (219). *"For our sake he made him to be sin who did not know sin, so that we might become the righteousness of God in him."*

Thursday, Feb 23, 2023

Emulate those who stood firm

Polycarp was a bishop, and his death the church's first recorded martyrdom. He was born in 69, just a few years after Peter and Paul were executed, and Roman authorities burned him to death after what one account calls a "witty conversation" between Polycarp and Statius Quadratus, Roman proconsul. Polycarp became one of what would turn out to be a flood of Christians who have been put to death, and continue to be so, for not renouncing their faith. Sometimes "not renouncing" means publicly living Christian ethics against pressure; sometimes it means stating one's belief in words. Strive to be a courageous witness for faith, as those who came before us have been.

MEMORIAL OF POLYCARP, BISHOP, MARTYR

TODAY'S READINGS: Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Luke 9:22-25 (220). *"What profit is there for one to gain the whole world yet lose or forfeit himself?"*

Friday, Feb 24, 2023

Fast approaching

The practice of fasting during Lent finds its genesis in our Lord's journey into the desert where he fasted and prayed for 40 days and nights in preparation to begin his public ministry (Matthew 4:1-2; Luke 4:1-3). We observe the 40 days of Lent in imitation of Christ's time in the desert. We walk into the desert with Christ and fast so as to have the strength to do good and avoid evil, with the help of God's grace. We strive to atone for our sins and purify our lives in preparation for the celebration of Christ's glorious rising from the tomb.

FRIDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY; DAY OF ABSTINENCE

TODAY'S READINGS: Isaiah 58:1-9a; Matthew 9:14-15 (221). *"This, rather, is the fasting that I wish: . . . Clothing the naked when you see them, and not turning your back on your own."*

Saturday, Feb 25, 2023

What's on your bookshelf?

It is often said that Lent is a time to take spiritual inventory and do a "spring cleanup" as we renew our baptismal promises. The conjunction of Lent with Black History Month and Catholic Press Month affords us an unprecedented opportunity to take spiritual inventory of our bookshelves, too! What books do we have from the black Catholic community that can enrich us, expand our spiritual horizons, and even challenge us? This Lent, consider picking up *Uncommon Faithfulness: The Black Catholic Experience* (2009) or *Black Catholic Studies Reader: History and Theology* (2021). Make one of these books or a similar one part of your Lenten renewal.

SATURDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY

TODAY'S READINGS: Isaiah 58:9b-14; Luke 5:27-32 (222). *"Then the LORD will guide you always and give you plenty even on the parched land."*

Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time

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MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY:

5:00 pm Saturday, February 25, 2023

Presider: Fr. Gilbert Mashurano & Deacon Jerry Brennan*

7:30 am Sunday, February 26, 2023

Presider: Fr. Gilbert Mashurano & Deacon Jerry Brennan*

9:30 am Sunday, February 26, 2023

Presider: Fr. Arthur Marat & Deacon Don Grossnickle*

11:30 am Sunday, February 26, 2023

Presider: Fr. Gilbert Mashurano & Deacon Paul Onischuk*

6:00 pm Sunday, February 26, 2023

Presider: Fr. Arthur Marat & Deacon Jerry Brennan*

*Homilist

GOSPEL MEDITATION:

February 19, 2023

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Of all the things Jesus says which seem totally bat-crazy, this one might take the cake: **“But I say to you, love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute you.”** An enemy is someone who desires the destruction of you, your projects, or those you care about. To love and pray for them is to want their health, strength, and flourishing. But if they thrive, they are more likely to hurt you and others. So, aren't you indirectly willing your own destruction, or that of your friends? If you doubt that this problem is embedded in this teaching, when was the last time you actually prayed honestly for the people you really hate?

How can we solve this riddle so we might actually live this command? Recall that enemy-love is the surest sign that you love someone with God's love, and not with indirect egotism. After all, if my love for my enemy ends up hurting me or my loved ones, it can't be for me. Enemy-love costs more because there are no tit-for-tats. No reciprocity — just loved poured out, and often pain in return. That's why it is so precious and rare. “What is unusual about that?” asks the Lord about love for our friends. Jesus wants us to experience the unusual love which only comes from him.

When Jesus was being killed on the cross, he was loving his executioners. In fact, he was holding them in being as they nailed him to the cross. He loved those who were spiritually piercing his Mother's heart, *while they were doing it*. And when he rose from the dead, he showed us that this kind of love is always worth it. It's stronger than death. Real love is unusual.

— Father John Muir ©LPi



Pray for the Sick

Mary Ruth Bolda, Helene Bottalla, Susan Cardinale, Marie DeSanto, Mary Joan Dobson, Bob Finch, Mark Gruendl, Fione Hergenreder, Ken Kramer, Bill Lohmeier, Valerie Lund, Tim Mauren, Daniel McCloy, Delores McCloy, John McGuinness, Melvin Rotor, Marianne Saas, Stacey Scott, Sue Sloma, Rev. John Topper, Mary Sloan Weidner



Pray for the Deceased

Judith Boldt, Janet Delaney, Michael Pampinella, Nicholas Vittore

SACRED LITURGY:

Monday, February 20, 2023

8:30 am – Raymond & Stephanie Studzinski, James Liput, Sr.

Tuesday, February 21, 2023

8:30 am – Deceased Members of Our Lady of the Wayside

Wednesday, February 22, 2023

8:30 am – George & Jeanne Miller

Thursday, February 23, 2023

8:30 am – Rosalie Palmer, Edward Zaczek

Friday, February 24, 2023

8:30 am – Peter Donohoe

Saturday, February 25, 2023

8:30 am – Edward Madejczyk

5:00 pm – Casey & Virginia Davidson, Leonard Netzel, Raymond Shields, Kevin Kubiak, Kyle Tovella

Sunday, February 26, 2023

7:30 am – Frank Lynch

9:30 am – Kenneth Willms

11:30 am – Arthelia Calibraro, Jean Loiacono

6:00 pm – For the Living and Deceased Members of Our Lady of the Wayside

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 19, 2023

Sunday: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13 (8a)/1 Cor 3:16-23/Mt 5:38-48

Monday: Sir 1:1-10/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday: Sir 2:1-11/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 5:27-32

Next Sunday: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17 (see 3a)/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11

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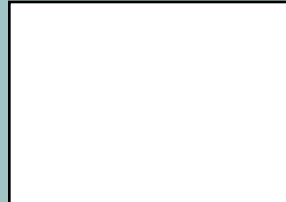
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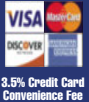
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Holy Communion for the Homebound & Hospitalized

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RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Adults interested in learning more about the Catholic faith in order to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and/or Confirmation, please call the parish office.

Pray the Rosary

Monday through Saturday at 8:00 am – preceding 8:30 am Mass.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

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Sacrament of Baptism

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