

Our Lady of the WAYSIDE PARISH

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The Mitsakopoulos Family is all smiles at the TMIY Grill-Out & Potluck last Saturday. Scan the QR code to see more photos.

September 8, 2024

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time



https://bit.ly/4e89ymc





GET YOUR OOMPAH ON!

SATURDAY, SEPT 28 6:00-11:00 PM

OUR LADY OF THE WAYSIDE
SCHOOL PARKING LOT

LIVE BANDS, BRATS, BEER, PRETZEL & STRUDEL, GOOD TIMES!

ADMISSION: \$10

*21 & OVER EVENT



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED. Register Here: https://bit.ly/3XchEmL

Claudia Wojciechowski

Hello OLW Parishioners!

My name is Claudia Wojciechowski and I am super excited to join Our Lady of the Wayside Parish as the Interim Youth Minister. I feel beyond blessed to have the opportunity to step into this role as the parish continues its search for a full-time youth

minister. I have been involved with OLW's youth group since 2021 and have been blessed with so many amazing opportunities, such as weekly peer ministry nights, bible studies, retreats such as Kairos, Catholic Heart Workcamp (CHWC), and the Steubenville conferences. This ministry has filled my life with so much joy and so many faith-filled friendships. I cannot explain to you all how much value this youth group has brought into my life. This last year I was also so blessed to help out with the 7th grade religious education program as a catechist and as an adult volunteer of the youth ministry program.

I am currently a sophomore at Harper College majoring in Exercise Physiology, in hopes of pursuing Physical Therapy in the future. I am a part of the track and cross country team at Harper, running DIII for the school. I am also currently working as a gymnastics coach and a personal trainer. The past two summers, however, God has blessed me with the amazing opportunity of serving on the CHWC staff. Though I worked mainly in the kitchen, the beauty of being on the Staff was I got to do a little bit of everything, including giving witness talks, dancing on stage, praise and worship, being in skits, interacting with and helping campers, setting up evening programs, moving and organizing everything in the truck, traveling each week to a new campsite and more. Despite getting very little sleep and long hours, this job truly allowed me to experience the beauty of God's love in the people around me. He worked through me, my teammates and all those we met along the way, and He helped us complete CHWC's mission to love, serve and connect. I hope to continue pursuing God's mission for me here with the Wayside Youth Group.

I've noticed that as I continue saying "yes" to God, with retreats, job opportunities, service projects, opportunities for prayer, or whatever it is, He keeps giving me far more than I could ever imagine or ask for. And through the many miracles I've witnessed in my life, God has taught me to give until I have nothing left, and then to give some more. Because He has done, and continues to do so much for each of us every single day, what can stop us from serving our most beautiful and holy God?

I am beyond excited to take on this new role at Our Lady of the Wayside, and I cannot wait to work with the youth ministry, help OLW teens grow in their faith, and experience all the beautiful things this parish has to offer.

- Claudia Wojciechowski

LET JESUS FILL THE VOID

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Father Arthur Marat

A few years ago, after I celebrated Mass at a retirement home, I met an elderly resident—a woman. We introduced ourselves to each other, and as I spoke with the woman, she shared with me that she spends her time waiting for her children to come and visit her. Thinking that her children lived in the area and visited frequently,

I inquired when they would be arriving.

The little old woman said, "Father, my children are far away. One child lives in Wisconsin, and the other child moved to Milwaukee. I am alone here, but they come and visit me twice a year: once at Christmas, and again at Easter." Full of love for her children, this elderly lady was not resentful that she was alone. She was not embittered that her children lived far away. She prays for her children every day.

Faith is a personal choice.

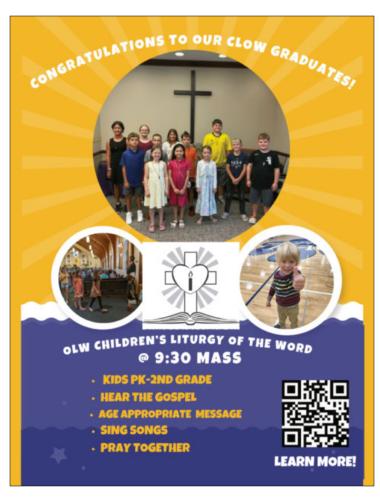
In our busy lives, during our weekly activities, it is important to remember about these different kinds of prayer throughout the day and feel free to use these different forms when communicating with God. You might discover that maybe one day you meet with God through the prayer of gesture. Another day you might speak with Him through your thoughts. God is happy with every kind of prayer. He is happy with every kind of prayer because everything that is great in this world comes from Him; everything that is great in this world is born of sacrifice and prayer.

This Sunday, I would like to tell you: Do not be afraid! Do not be afraid of the loneliness that you experience. Do not be afraid of your weaknesses.

Do not be afraid of the ways in which you are deaf, blind, mute, or trapped within yourselves. Instead, ask Jesus to come to you. Ask Jesus to enter your heart and fill the loneliness. Beg Him to open the eyes, the ears, and the tongue of your hearts so that you may see God in, and reach out to, others. Jesus is merciful, and with the greatest joy He is waiting to heal you. As the Prophet Isaiah said to those whose hearts are frightened: "Be strong, fear not! Here is your God. He comes to save you." Have faith! In this Eucharist Jesus comes to save you.

Yours in Christ, Father Arthur









The Final Countdown!

The 4th annual Tri-parish **5K Run/1-Mile Walk** benefitting Friends of the Poor is Saturday, Sept 14. Kids Dash is free and starts at 7:45 am. Run/Walk follows immediately. Run, walk, volunteer or donate. Family friendly fun for all.







FATHER DAHM TO PREACH ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Fr. Charles Dahm, OP, will preach about domestic violence and our need to respond to it in a compassionate way at all weekend Masses on **September 14** and 15.

Fr. Dahm has preached at 185 parishes in the Archdiocese of Chicago and formed ministries at 100, including Our Lady of the Wayside,
St. James and St. Edna.

He seeks to renew our ministry here

Our Lady of Unity Food Collection: September 8

On **Sunday, September 8** we will have our monthly food drive for Our Lady of Unity (formerly St. Mark's) Parish. Drop off non-perishable food at the parish garage from **between 9** am and noon.

Most-needed items include:

- pasta noodles & sauce
- canned tuna & chicken
- canned vegetables
- soup
- cereal
- chili
- mac & cheese
- bagged sugar
- dry white beans

"Alms are an inheritance and a justice which is due to the poor and which Jesus has levied upon us."

~St. Francis of Assisi

OUR LADY OF UNITY FOOD PANTRY MINISTRY

Thank you for your past and future generosity in this important ministry.

Non-perishable food is now being accepted during the week in the lobby of the Parish Center.

Our Lady of the Wayside Arlington Heights, Illinois

Little Saints Pray and Play





Who: Young children (infants through 6 years) and their parent(s) or caregiver

What: Join us for a fun time of faith and friendship. Together we will read Bible stories, learn about saints, pray, sing, and play. Then enjoy a time to connect and chat while the kids play with the provided toys.

Where: Gathering Place

When: Fridays 9:30-10:30 am, twice monthly during the school year

Fall Dates: September 13, September 27, October 11, October 25, November 8, November 22, December 13

> Email olwlittlesaints@gmail.com for the most up to date schedule and information.

Bible Study In Person & Online / Friday Morning 9:30



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

> Isaiah 50:5-9 James 2:14-18 Mark 8:27-35

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



Peggy Kinnane's on September 17th!

The school will receive 20% from all orders! Be sure to mention you are with OLW.

Dine in or carry out from 11 AM-9 PM. 8 N Vail Ave, Arlington Heights, IL 60005 847-577-7733



It's a New School Year at OLW

and we are so grateful for the support of our parish community. Here are some specific ways we ask for your help.

Save these dates and join us: Ladies Night Out - Sat, November 9 Soiree - Sat, March 1, 2025

Participate in the Supper Clubs and tell friends and family. Watch the bulletin and WW for dates and places.

Become a SPONSOR and have your company represented on signs in the gym and on the school website. Contact Danielle Kenney, dkenney@olwschool.org

Join us at our weekly school Mass, Wednesdays at 2pm

Thank You For Supporting Us!



JOIN OLW'S AFTERNOON BRIDGE GROUP

Our Lady of the Wayside Afternoon Bridge Group meets on the third Thursday of the month (October through May) at noon in the Gathering Place. Players at all levels are welcome.

If you have a partner, great. If not, I will try to find one for you.

Please call Pat Ragone **(847) 392-0674** for more information.

youth ministry schedule SEPTEMBER

09/08: RICKOFF! 09/15: PEER MINISTRY 9/22: OFF 09/29: PEER MINISTRY

OCTOBER

10/06: OFF (HOMECOMING) 10/13: PEER MINISTRY 10/20: HALLOWEEN FELLOWSHIP 10/27: OFF ALL PEER MIN NIGHTS ARE ON SUNDAYS FROM 7-9PM, AFTER THE 6PM TEEN MASS

NOVEMBER

11/03: PEER MINISTRY 11/10: PEER MINISTRY 11/17: OFF 11/24: FRIENDSGIVING

DECEMBER

12/01: OFF 12/08: PEER MINISTRY 12/15: CHRISTMAS FELLOWSHIP 12/22: OFF 12/29: OFF COME JOIN US FOR A FUN NIGHT OF FELLOWSHIP & BRING UOUR FRIENDS:)

QUESTIONS? CONTACT: YOUTHMIN@OLWPARISH.ORG



We Are in the LOOP!

Our Lady of the Wayside Church has had a hearing loop since 2018. The system has been designed to cover all seating areas in the church and will allow any hearing aid equipped with a **telecoil** to listen directly to our PA system. This results in very clear sound to the hearing aid and makes speech very easy to understand.

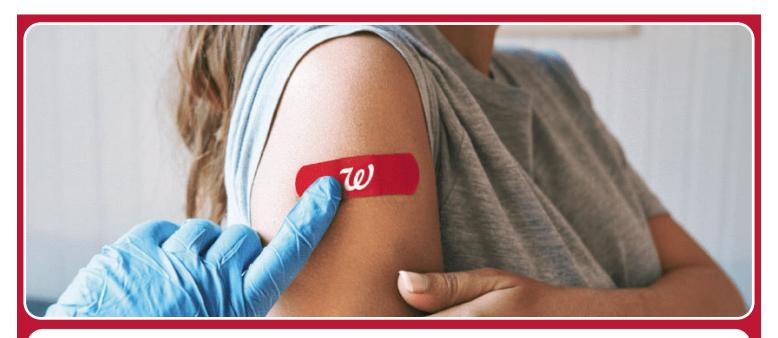
Many hearing aids already have a t-coil (also called a telephone coil, telecoil, or audio coil) installed and simply need to be activated by your hearing care professional. To make use of the system, **just ask your** hearing care professional a few questions:

- 1. Do my hearing aids have a t-coil?
- 2. If yes, Can you please activate it?

 If no, do my hearing aids have a compatible streaming device to connect to the loop?
- 3. Please show me how to put my hearing aids into "t-coil mode"?

If anyone would like to learn more about hearing loops please request a brochure from the parish office or visit **www.Loopit8.com**.

If you have any questions, please call or email Kathy O'Neill at **(224) 518-1780** or email **parishnurse@olwparish.org**.



OUR LADY OF THE WAYSIDE WILL BE GIVING 6 VACCINES

When: Saturday, October 5 & Sunday, October 6

Time: Before, during & after the 5 pm, 7:30, 9:30 and 11:30 am, and 6 pm masses

Where: Gathering Place

How old do you need to be to get a flu shot? 3 years and older

Hosted by: Walgreen's Pharmacy

VACCINES: Flu, High Dose Flu (over 65), Covid-19, Pneumonia, Shingles, RSV

Cost: Medicare B and most private insurances cover the cost of the vaccine.

Consent Form: To minimize waiting time in line, we **strongly encourage** you to print and bring a completed **Vaccine Consent Form**. Click the following link, or cut and paste it into your browser to access this form: https://bit.ly/2ZqtvQW

Please bring with you: Both your prescription card and insurance card in case the prescription plan does not cover the flu shot, they will bill your medical plan. Also, if you are on Medicare, please bring your card. Walgreen's will process all claims to the insurance (after the shot is given) at their store and contact the patient directly if there is a copay.

If you are covered by a HMO insurance plan, please check with them to see if they will cover the cost before coming for your flu shot.

If you are paying out of pocket, they will take only cash or check.

If you have any other questions, please call Kathy O'Neill at (224) 518-1780, or by email at parishnurse@olwparish.org.



bit.ly/olwvaccines



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MARRIED IN 1974?

Have you registered for the annual Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass?

Couples celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary from across the Archdiocese of Chicago are invited to gather together for the Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass that will be celebrated by Cardinal Cupich on **Sunday, September 15, 2024 at 2:30 p.m.** The Mass will be held at Holy Name Cathedral in Chicago, Illinois.

Please email gwa@archchicago.org or contact your parish office with any questions. To register online, please visit pwm.archchicago.org/events/golden-wedding.

We hope to see you there!





Pray for those celebrating the Sacrament of Matrimony

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Paul Henderson & Ethan Jedziniak & Emily McNally Paoula Dyanova

Emily McNally Paoula Dyanova Saturday, September 14, at 3pm Saturday, September 28, at 1pm

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James Rooney & Jacob Schutta & Gianna Toniolo Kathryn Hansen Saturday, September 21, at 3pm Saturday, September 28, at 3pm

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Robert Rogers & Tony Ellison & Alexandria Partipilo Marisa Guagliardo
Friday, September 27, at 2:30 pm Sunday, September 29, at 3pm

Suicide Warning Signs

DO

- use "I" language in talking about feelings.
 - "I feel worried that you quit the soccer team."
- start with specific signs you have noticed.
 - "I heard you moving around the house last night. Are you having trouble sleeping lately?"
- ask directly if your child is thinking about suicide or self-harm.
 - "Have you been having thoughts of suicide?"

Source: American Foundation for Suicide Prevention https://afsp.org/

DON'T

- dismiss how they're feeling as routine or as something that will get better on its own. Instead, reassure them that you support them and will help them find help.
- ask questions that will only give you a yes/no answer. Instead, ask open-ended questions such as, "When do you notice that your thoughts are the most intense?"
- promise confidentiality. Instead, say, "It's really important that you be honest with me about what you're feeling. I may need to tell someone else who can help you, so you don't have to feel this way anymore."

Getting Help for Your Child

You can reach out to a professional, like a licensed mental health counselor, a guidance counselor at your child's school or your child's pediatrician.

Free Resources

988 available 24 hours/day

- Call or text (988)
- National Suicide and Crisis Lifeline offering mental health crisis support.

NAMI HelpLine

Mon-Fri, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. ET

Call: 1-800-950-NAMI (6264) **Text:** "HelpLine" to 62640

Chat: nami.org/help
Email: helpline@nami.org

Nationwide peer-support service offering information, resources, and referrals to local support networks.

If You Believe Your Child Is Considering Suicide

Do not leave them alone.

Remove harmful objects. Give them space and do not make them feel trapped.

Listen, express concern, and reassure.

Focus on being understanding, caring and nonjudgmental.

Guide them to professional help.

If they already have a therapist or other health care professional, call them. If not, research possible resources.

- Ask questions to get more information.
 - Are you having thoughts of suicide?
 - Do you have a plan?
 - Would you be willing to talk to someone?

Resources for starting a conversation

https://nami.org/Your-Journey/Kids-Teens-and-Young-Adults/Kids/How-to-Talk-to-Your-Child-About-Their-Mental-Health





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Invest time each week to expand your vocabulary and deepen your faith.

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WORD OF THE WEEK

Genuflection \gen-ya-"flek-shan\

From Latin *genu* "knee" and *flectere* "to bend," a gesture of reverence and humility made by lowering on one knee. Often performed when entering or leaving a sacred space. For Catholics, bending the right knee acknowledges the presence of God, particularly when the Blessed Sacrament is present.

Pronunciation: https://tinyurl.com/Take5-Genuflection

CONTEXT

Every act of reverence, every **genuflection** that you make before the Blessed Sacrament is important because it is an act of faith in Christ, and act of love for Christ.

-Pope John Paul II

Genuflection: By such posture of the body we show forth our humbleness of heart.

-Alcuin, eighth-century theologian

WHY IT MATTERS

Humility is a virtue seldom practiced in a culture that celebrates those who celebrate themselves. With self-aggrandizement becoming commonplace, **genuflection** reminds us that one mightier than us is ever-present. In the act of bending a knee, we acknowledge that we are not God but rather loving servants to God.

From the General Instruction of the Roman Missal: When the prayer for Communion is concluded, the priest **genuflects**, takes a host consecrated at the same Mass, and, holding it slightly raised above the paten or above the chalice, facing the people, says, *Ecce Agnus Dei* (Behold the Lamb of God) and together with the people he adds, Lord, I am not worthy (157).

RELATED WORDS

Humility | Reverence | Homage | Bow | Prostration

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Why do Catholics bless themselves and genuflect?

Blessing yourself—that is, making the Sign of the Cross is a formal ritual gesture of the church and is the way both public and private prayer begins. It marks you as a Christian and serves as a reminder of the three "persons" in one God. The full Sign of the Cross includes touching the forehead, heart, and both shoulders, signifying acceptance of the demands of discipleship over our thoughts, desires, and deeds. **Genuflection**, particularly on the right knee, is a sign of reverence made in a Catholic church or oratory acknowledging the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. It is a posture of humility, service, and love. It may be directed toward the Table of the Lord (the altar) before Mass. Otherwise, **genuflection** acknowledges the tabernacle, where the Real Presence is reserved in consecrated hosts. These rituals are reminders that we're incarnate beings who believe in the Word made flesh.

—Alice Camille, from Questions Catholics Ask http://tinyurl.c om/QCA-genuflection

REFLECTION OF THE WEEK

FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS (SEPTEMBER 14)

How the cross became holy

Christians are an odd lot. We take what was an object of torture and murder—the cross of Christ—and elevate it to a holy state. Just as Christ redeemed us through his death, the cross itself is redeemed through Jesus' saving act. We now place crosses and crucifixes around our necks, pin them to our lapels, and hang them in our homes and churches. The reminder of Jesus' painful death gives us comfort in our suffering and points to the promise of resurrection.

READINGS: Numbers 21:4b-9; Philippians 2:6-11; John 3:13-17 (638 https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/091424.cfm). "At the name of Jesus every knee should bend."

FAITH IN ACTION

The cross is the most universal and powerful symbol of Christianity. Draw on it regularly to give you the strength to find God in all things.

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MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY:

5:00 pm Saturday, September 14, 2024

Presider: Fr. Chuck Dahm* & Deacon Peter LeTourneau

7:30 am Sunday, September 15, 2024

Presider: Fr. Gilbert Mashurano & Fr. Chuck Dahm*

9:30 am Sunday, September 15, 2024

Presider: Fr. Chuck Dahm* & Deacon Peter LeTourneau

11:30 am Sunday, September 15, 2024

Presider: Fr. Gilbert Mashurano, Fr. Chuck Dahm* & Deacon

Paul Onischuk

6:00 pm Sunday, September 15, 2024

Presider: Fr. Arthur Marat & Fr. Chuck Dahm*

*Homilist

GOSPEL MEDITATION:

September 8, 2024 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

One of the most touching YouTube videos I've ever seen is one in which a deaf woman receives new technology to heal her hearing. She hears her husband's voice for the first time — and her own, too — and bursts into tears of overwhelming joy. It must have been like an immovable wall between her and her loved ones came tumbling down.

We are all like this woman, to some degree. We believe in the presence of God's love, but we can't hear Him. We can't speak well about Him. The deaf man who can't speak properly in the Gospel today is an image of what God wants us to experience again and again. Jesus takes the man aside to a private place away from the crowd, touches his ears and tongue, and says, "Ephphata!" The man's ears are opened, and he speaks clearly. Contact with Christ has this effect on us.

This experience happens to us in our baptism, almost exactly. It happens to us in the liturgy. It happens in our private prayer. It happens when we hear the voice of God in our conscience. The more we engage these privileged channels of Jesus' healing, the more we are empowered to hear and speak of the presence of God's perfect love.

— Father John Muir

@LPi



Pray for the Sick

Mark Berberick, Gloria White Bonomo, Deacon Tom Corcoran, Marie DeSanto, Donna Hames, Theresa Hansen, Baby Dominic Leoni, Mary Mader, Delores McCloy, Alice Milota, Patricia Murray, Frances Pitzer, Fr. Rich Rhinehart, Marianne Saas, Greg Schladt, Donna Stenberg, Fr. John Topper, Jane Whitnell, Jose Maria Yap



Pray for the Deceased

Deceased Members of Our Lady of the Wayside

SACRED LITURGY:

Monday, September 9, 2024

8:30 am – Joyce Yedlinski, Maurice Dunne

Tuesday, September 10, 2024

8:30 am – Joseph A. Palmer, Robert Gattuso

Wednesday, September 11, 2024

8:30 am – Rita Lee, Valerie Lund

Thursday, September 12, 2024

8:30 am - Carolyn Stein, Glenn Brosius

Friday, September 13, 2024

8:30 am - Julianne Thorton

Saturday, September 14, 2024

8:30 am – Barbara Szymanski

5:00 pm – Irena Miron, Roy & Annette Anderson, Anthony & Madeline Mazzone, Rita Hawkins, Maryanne Tarzon

Sunday, September 15, 2024

7:30 am - Deceased Members of Our Lady of the Wayside

9:30 am – Donna Cunningham, Nick Tischer, John Reichenbach, Viola Fischer

11:30 am – Deceased Members of Our Lady of the Wayside

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

Sunday: Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 (1B)/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37

Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8/Ps 5:5-6, 7, 12/Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday: 1 Cor 6:1-11/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk 6:12-19

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Wednesday: 1 Cor 7:25-31/Ps 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17/Lk

6:20-26

Thursday: 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 23-24/Lk 6:27-38

Friday: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6, 12/Lk 6:39-42

Saturday: Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38/Phil

2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

Sunday: Is 50:4c-9a/Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 (9)/Jas 2:14-

18/Mk 8:27-35





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WEEKEND EUCHARISTIC LITURGIES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 am and 6:00 pm

DAILY EUCHARISTIC LITURGIES

Monday through Saturday: 8:30 am

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Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesdays at 9:00 am – following 8:30 am Mass.

Holy Communion for the Homebound & Hospitalized

Please contact Kathy O'Neill at the parish office.

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

Tuesdays at 4:00 pm, at the Welcoming Mother Grotto

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

Homebound or ill wanting to receive this Sacrament and the Eucharist, please contact the parish office.

Sacrament of Baptism

Contact Deacon Peter LeTourneau at the parish office to schedule a baptism. A baptismal preparation session is required for your first child.

Sacrament of Marriage

Contact the parish office at least six months prior to a preferred date for necessary preparation.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 9:30–10:30 am. Or, contact the parish office to schedule a time.

