

April 7, 2024



Our LADY of
PERPETUAL
HELP

**CELEBRATION
OF HOLY MASS**

Saturday Vigil | 4 pm

Sunday | 8:30 am, 10:30 am

DAILY MASS

Monday – Saturday 8:30 am

CONFESSIONS

Monday – Saturday after
8:30 am Daily Mass

Saturdays 3–3:45 pm

Or anytime by appointment

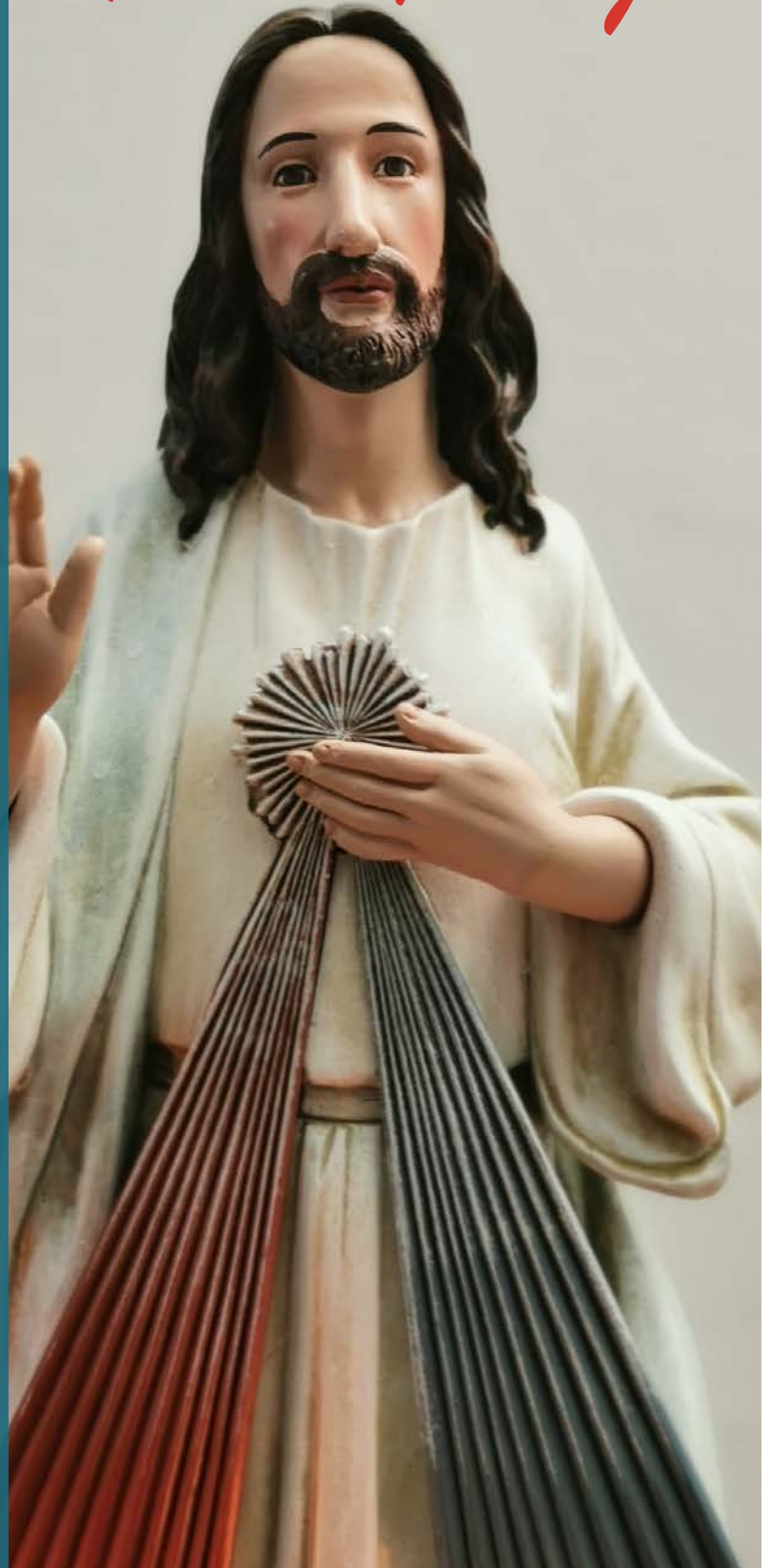
ADORATION

First Fridays 24 hours, 9 am–9 am

Other Fridays 9 am–9 pm

3730 Broadway, Grove City, Ohio 43123
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*Sunday of
Divine Mercy*



Info Center

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Church Hours

The Chapel of the Blessed Sacrament is open for personal prayer 24/7. Use the southwest door to enter, and use the code *3322#.

Church Office Hours

Monday – Friday, 8 am to 2 pm.
The office is closed for holidays and occasional staff meetings.

New Members

All are welcome to join our parish!
You may register at ourladygc.org/register or by calling 614.875.3322 or emailing parish@ourladygc.org.

Mass Intentions

Would you like to have a Mass celebrated for yourself or a loved one? Contact the Church Office for more information.

In Need of Assistance?

If you or someone you know is in need of assistance, please contact our local Saint Vincent de Paul Chapter at 614.875.3322, ext 311.

Baptism

For information, call Karen Cook in the Church Office, 614.875.3322 or visit ourladygc.org/sacraments/baptism/

Marriage

Please contact the Church Office at least six months in advance. Wedding guidelines are available at the Church Office.

Bulletin Announcements

Deadline: noon Thursday

Items should be short and concise. Submit your articles by noon on Thursday, 10 days before you wish to have your item appear, to bulletin@ourladygc.org. All items are subject to the pastor's approval.

Mass Readings & Intentions

Sunday, April 7 | Sunday of Divine Mercy

8:30 am	Pat Albert by The Albert Family	Acts 4:32-35/1 Jn 5:1-6/ Jn 20:19-31
10:30 am	Linda McKendry by William & Ryan McKendry & Family	

Monday, April 8 | The Annunciation of the Lord

8:30 am	Tom Beljan by Mike & Pat Flavin	Is 7:10-14; 8:10/ Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38
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Tuesday, March 9 | Tuesday within the Octave of Easter

8:30 am	Roseanne Sutton by Michelle Paguva Melarango	Acts 4:32-37/Jn 3:7b-15
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Wednesday, April 10 | Wednesday within the Octave of Easter

8:30 am	Tom Courtney by Joan Courtney	Acts 5:17-26/Jn 3:16-21
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Thursday, April 11 | St. Stanislaus

8:30 am	Diane Hoskinson by Bob & Kathy Ruth	Acts 5:27-33/Jn 3:31-36
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Friday, April 12 | Friday within the Octave of Easter

8:30 am	Thomas McCarty by Rob & Cindy McCarty	Acts 5:34-42/Jn 6:1-15
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Saturday, April 13 | St. Martin I

8:30 am	Tony Brintlinger by Beth & Kevin O'Rourke	
4:00 pm	Stanley & Alice Karczewski by Richard & Carolyn Karczewski	Acts 6:1-7/Jn 6:16-21

Sunday, April 14 | The Third Sunday of Easter

8:30 am	Our Parish Family	Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/ 1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48
10:30 am	Billie Kay Williams by Pat Kistner	

Team #3

Giving Update

Please check out our website at ourladygc.org/about-us/generosity for a complete list of options for supporting our parish community.

	This Week	Year to Date
	3.23 to 3.29.2024	7.1.23 to 3.29.2024
Envelopes	\$11,591	
Loose Cash	\$1,858	
Online	\$9,247	
TOTAL OFFERTORY	\$22,696	\$1,050,820
Budget	\$26,500	\$1,033,500

Thank you for your generosity to Our Lady of Perpetual Help! We pray for God's continued blessings upon you.

The Week Ahead

Sunday, April 7

9:30 am	PSR Classes	Various
3:00 pm	Divine Mercy Celebration	Nave
7:00 pm	High School Youth Group	Basement East

Monday, April 8

6:00 pm	Vespers (Evening Prayer)	Nave
7:00 pm	Spring Bible Study	Life Center

Tuesday, April 9

6:30 pm	OCIA	Life Center
6:30 pm	Youth OCIA	Basement West
7:00 pm	Grief Matters	Basement East

Wednesday, April 10

9:00 am	Our Lady Novena	Chapel
10:15 am	Little Saints Playgroup	Shepherds' Room
6:00 pm	Silver Streaks Meeting	Life Center
6:00 pm	Divine Mercy Cenacle	Shepherds' Room
6:30 pm	Knights of Columbus Buisness Meeting	Knights Room

Thursday, April 11

9:00 am	Patriotic Rosary	Chapel
7:00 pm	Surviving Divorce	Basement NW

Friday, April 12

9:00 am	Eucharistic Adoration	Nave
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Saturday, April 13

7:00 am	Men's Fellowship and Bible Study	Life Center
7:00 am	Women's Fellowship and Bible Study	Shepherds' Room
11:00 am	Pastoral Ministry Appreciation Luncheon	Life Center
7:00 pm	Middle School Youth Group	Basement West

Sunday, April 14

9:30 am	PSR Classes	Various
11:30 am	Confirmation Practice	Nave
7:00 pm	High School Youth Group	Basement East

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

April Devotion: The Holy Eucharist

1st Friday – Saturday, April 5–6, 9 am–9 am

Fridays: April 12, 19, 26, 9 am–9 am



"... Let Jesus present in the Blessed Sacrament speak to your hearts. It is he who is the true answer of life that you seek. He stays here with us: He is God with us. Seek him without tiring; welcome him without reserve; love him without interruption: today, tomorrow, forever!" – Pope St. John Paul II
 Christ is Risen... Halleluia! We celebrate Easter for 50 days, let's adore Jesus in Adoration every chance we get! You can sign up online at ourladygc.org/adoration. COME sit with Jesus Christ, Risen from the dead!

M – F DAILY EVENTS

7 am — Liturgy of the Hours, Morning Prayers | Chapel

7:50 am — Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary | Nave

8:30 am — Daily Mass | Nave

9 am — Coffee & Conversation | Life Center

2:25 pm — Radio Rosary | 101.9FM



Congratulations to couples celebrating anniversaries in April.

Patrick & Melissa Baltzer
13 years | April 7

Josh & Courtney Stines
12 years | April 28

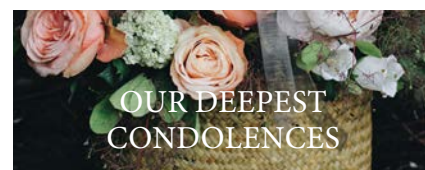
If you would like to have an anniversary recognized in the bulletin, please email the couple's names, date, and number of years married to bulletin@ourladygc.org.



4/18 | Invention Convention

4/20 | Saint's Night Out

4/28 | Fall Flower Sale



Please remember in your prayers Jeffrey Schroeder, who recently passed away. Let us also pray for his friends and family. May they all find peace in Our Lord.

PASTOR'S CORNER

BY FATHER JOE YOKUM

The month of April is dedicated to the Holy Spirit.

"The most potent and acceptable prayer is the prayer that leaves the best effects. I don't mean it must immediately fill the soul with desire . . . The best effects (are) those that are followed up by actions; when the soul not only desires the honor of God, but really strives for it." +Saint Teresa of Avila

SECOND WEEK IN THE SEASON OF EASTER

MONDAY, APRIL 8 | SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

Holy Gospel: Luke 1:26-38

Prayer: O God, who willed that your Word should take on the reality of human flesh in the womb of the Virgin Mary, grant, we pray, that we, who confess our Redeemer to be God and man, may merit to become partakers even in his divine nature. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Contemplation: When the word of God is delivered by the angel Gabriel to Mary, she knows she is hearing something beyond human capability. It will surely take a miracle which surpasses all that God has done previously. Her question, "how shall this be, since I have no husband" is not prompted by doubt or skepticism, but by wonderment! She is a true hearer of the Word and she immediately responds with faith and trust. Mary's prompt response of "yes" to the divine message is a model of faith for all believers. Mary believed God's promises even when they seemed impossible. She was full of grace because she trusted that what God said was true and would be fulfilled. She was willing and eager to do God's will, even if it seemed difficult or costly. God gives us grace and he expects us to respond with the same willingness, obedience, and heartfelt trust as Mary did. When God commands he also gives the help, strength, and means to respond. We can either yield to his grace or resist and go our own way. Do you believe in God's promises? Do you yield to his grace?

TUESDAY, APRIL 9

Holy Gospel: John 3:7b-15

Prayer: Enable us, we pray, almighty God, to proclaim the power of the risen Lord, that we, who have received the pledge of his gift, may come to possess all he gives when it is fully revealed. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Contemplation: The bronze serpent points to the cross of Christ which defeats sin and death and obtains everlasting

life for those who believe. The result of Jesus "being lifted up on the cross" and his rising and exaltation to the Father's right hand in heaven, is our "new birth in the Spirit" and adoption as sons and daughters of God. God not only redeems us, but he fills us with his own divine life and power that we might share in his glory. Jesus gives us the Holy Spirit that we may have power to be his witnesses and to spread and defend the gospel by word and action, and to never be ashamed of the Cross of Christ. The Holy Spirit gives us his seven-fold gifts of wisdom and understanding, right judgment and courage, knowledge and reverence for God and his ways, and a holy fear in God's presence (ref. Isaiah 11) that we may live for God and serve him in the power of his strength. Do you thirst for new life in the Spirit?

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

Holy Gospel: John 3:16-21

Prayer: As we recall year by year the mysteries by which, through the restoration of its original dignity, human nature has received the hope of rising again, we earnestly beseech your mercy, Lord, that what we celebrate in faith we may possess in unending love. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Contemplation: Jesus shows us the paradox of love and judgment. We can love the darkness of sin and unbelief or we can love the light of God's truth, beauty, and goodness. This all takes place by the choices we make – our "free will." If our love is guided by what is true, and good and beautiful then we will choose for God and love him above all else. What we love shows what we prefer. Do you love God above all else? Does he take first place in your life, in your thoughts, and actions? Are your choices guided by the love of God? If not, why not?

THURSDAY, APRIL 11 | ST. STANISLAUS

Holy Gospel: John 3:31-36

Prayer: O God, restorer and lover of innocence, direct the hearts of your servants towards yourself, that those you have set free from the darkness of unbelief may never stray from the light of your truth. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Prayer (Saint Stanislaus): O God, for whose honor the Bishop Saint Stanislaus fell beneath the swords of his persecutors, grant we pray, that we may persevere strong in faith even until death. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Contemplation: Do you hunger for the true life which

God offers through the gift of his Holy Spirit? The Jews understood that God gave a certain portion of his Spirit to his prophets. When Elijah was about to depart for heaven, his servant Elisha asked for a double portion of the Spirit (2 Kings 2:9). Jesus tells his disciples that they can believe the words he speaks because God the Father has poured his Spirit on him in full measure, without keeping anything back. The function of the Holy Spirit is to reveal God's truth to us. When we receive the Holy Spirit he enables us to recognize and understand God's truth. Jesus is the Word of God and he gives us his Holy Spirit so that we can recognize his truth and live according to it.

FRIDAY, APRIL 12

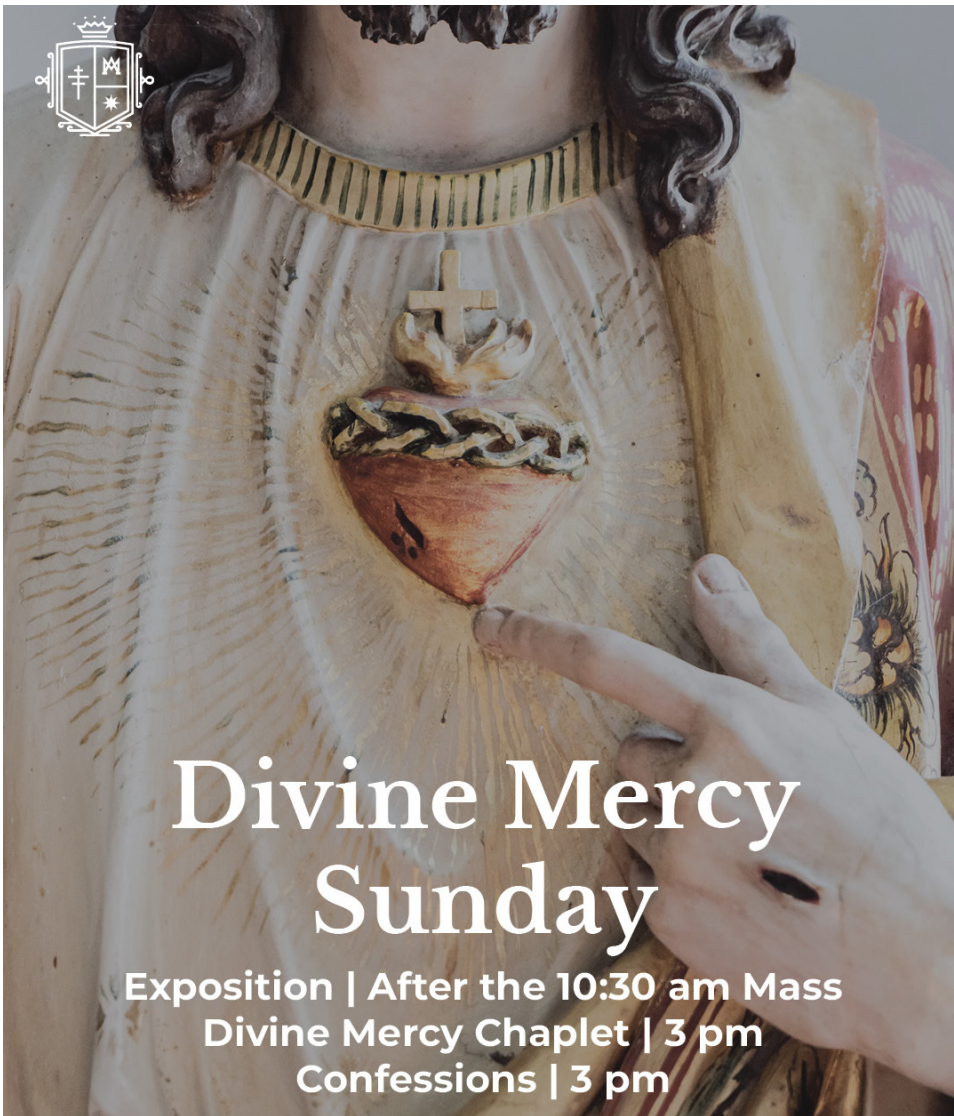
Holy Gospel: John 6:1-15

Prayer: O God, who for the salvation of the world brought about the paschal sacrifice, be favorable to the supplications of your people, so that Christ our High Priest, interceding on our behalf, may by his likeness to ourselves bring us reconciliation, and by his equality with you free us from our sins. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy

Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Contemplation: The feeding of the five thousand shows the remarkable generosity of God and his great kindness towards us. When God gives, he gives abundantly. He gives more than we need for ourselves that we may have something to share with others, especially those who lack what they need. God takes the little we have and multiplies it for the good of others. Do you trust in God's provision for you? Do you share freely with others, especially those who lack even the most basic necessities, such as food and clothing? How about doing some spring cleaning, and take what you're not using in your home (items that are clean and in good condition, of course) and give them to any number of Catholic organizations reaching out to help those in need – especially our Saint Vincent de Paul Chapter.

Scripture passages (NAB translation) courtesy of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops; prayers are from The Roman Missal, Catholic Book Publishing, 2011; information about saints, solemnities, feasts and memorials courtesy of the Catholic Culture website. frlump:2024

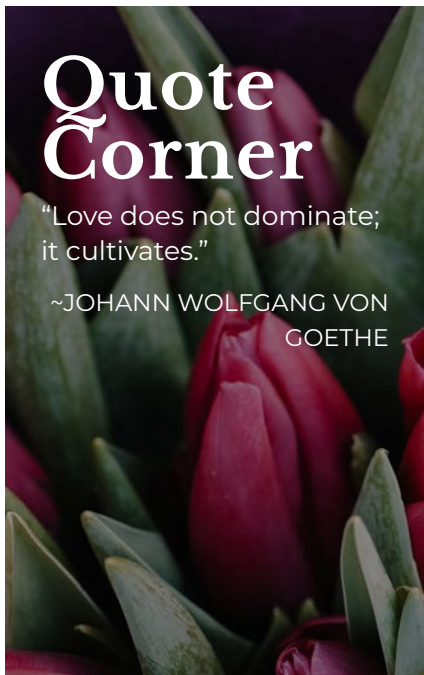


Divine Mercy Sunday
 Exposition | After the 10:30 am Mass
 Divine Mercy Chaplet | 3 pm
 Confessions | 3 pm



LAURELVILLE CLOTHING COLLECTION

On the weekend of April 20–21, the St. Vincent de Paul Society will have vehicles at the church for your clothing and bedding donations to help the needy of Laurelville and surrounding areas. Although most items which function and are in good condition can be used, children's and teenager's clothing are especially needed. As in the past collections, a request is again made for sporting equipment for the youth. The players have really appreciated these donations. Additional background collection details can be found in the pamphlet rack by the entrance to the church office area. Contact Frank Schmidt, 614.871.1988, with any questions.



SILVER STREAKS

Wednesday, April 10

Silver Streaks is hosting our Spring Potluck on Wednesday, April 10, at 6 pm in the Life Center! We invite you to bring your favorite Spring dish to share—main dish, side dish, salad, or dessert! And even if you can't bring a dish, please bring you—it is your smile and your fellowship that we treasure most!

Since our meeting falls just 10 days after our joyous Easter celebration, come share in our continuation of the Eastertide as we welcome Spring. Join us in reflecting on the many blessings our Heavenly Father has bestowed on us in this season of rebirth, with warmer days and added daylight to our evening hours!

If you have never been to a Silver Streaks meeting, or you haven't been in a while, now is a good time to start! Everyone, 55 or older (we don't check ID), is welcome. Please come and participate in fun and fellowship with folks who remember a lot of the same things you remember.

Our LADY of PERPETUAL HELP

Invites you to the 23rd annual

SAINT'S NIGHT OUT

BENEFIT DINNER AND AUCTION

featuring

CLEVELAND KEYS DUELING PIANOS

APRIL

SATURDAY | 20 | 6:30 PM

2024

OLPH School Gymnasium

Doors Open at 6:00pm

Drinks, Hors D'oeuvres, and Silent Auction start at 6:30pm with dinner, desserts and live auction to follow.

Dinner provided by Pastaria of Short North

\$75 per person or \$125 per couple

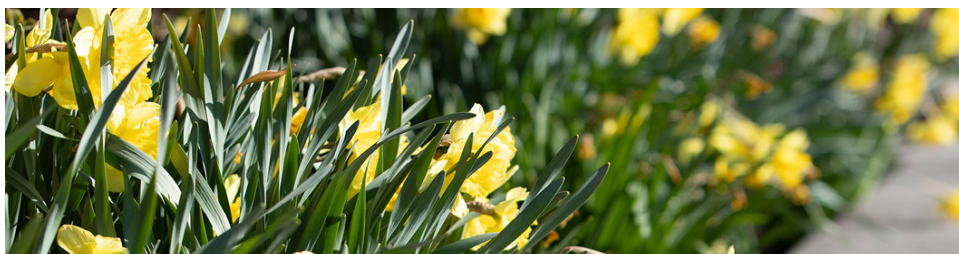
Seating is limited, kindly RSVP by 4-6-2024

<https://school.ourladygc.org/events/saints-night-out>




NEW JOB OPENING

Are you interested in working at Our Lady? We have an Evening Custodian position that needs filled. We are looking for someone who maintains a clean, sanitary, and safe working environment for all staff, students, and visitors by personally performing the following essential responsibilities. This position is responsible for performing general cleaning and upkeep of the School building. Interested in learning more? Go to [Ourladygc.org/about/jobs](https://school.ourladygc.org/about/jobs) to see the official job listing.



SPRING IS HERE!

With the coming of Spring and Easter, Our Lady always wants to make the campus as clean and inviting for our guests and parishioners. Part of this is the cleaning up and mulching of the plants and flower beds. Our Lady wants to thank the volunteers who help plant, water and weed now and throughout the year. We also would like to thank Kurtz Brothers Mulch and Soil who have generously donated the mulch to accomplish the clean up this year!

ST. CHARLES PREPARATORY SCHOOL - THIRD QUARTER HONOR AND MERIT ROLLS

St. Charles Preparatory School recently announced its Third Quarter Honor and Merit Rolls for the 2023-2024 school year. Students listed on the Honor Roll have achieved a grade point average of 3.50 or better on a 4.00 grading scale. Students listed on the Merit Roll have achieved a grade point average between 3.00 and 3.49.

The following young men are parishioners of our parish and are listed on the Honor and Merit Rolls. St. Charles congratulates them for their outstanding academic achievement.

Honor Roll: Adam Breeckner, Simon Raulerson, Dylan Smith, Michael Wagner, Matthew Weyer, Ethan Blucker, Jonathan Gale, Nicholas Kummer, Gage Nommay, Jackson Reed.

Merit Roll: Cason Espinal, John King, Austin Perdue, Simon Reed, Andrew Willing

EMMAUS ROAD SCHOLARSHIP FUND UPDATE

Thank you to everybody who has generously given to the Emmaus Road Scholarship Fund in 2023! Our Lady of Perpetual Help has raised over \$120,000 to go towards tuition assistance.

It is not too late to donate as well! Make a donation up to the April 15 Federal Tax deadline and claim the credit on your 2023 Ohio tax filing! To learn more, visit emmausroadscholarship.org.



IMAGO DEI HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

Upcoming Events:

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

Basement
April 7, 7–8:30 pm

Gymnasium
April 14, 7–8:30 pm

VERSO L'ALTO MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

Upcoming Events:

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

Gymnasium
April 6, 7–8:30 pm

Basement
April 13, 7–8:30 pm

For questions, contact Veronica at 614.875.3322, ext. 315, or vdannemiller@ourladygc.org.



NEW HORIZONS MEETING

The next meeting of the New Horizons Widow and Widowers group is Thursday April 18 at 6:00pm in the parish Life Center.

New Horizons is open to any widow or widower and is a group to support each other through fellowship and service. Meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month. Come to a meeting to learn about and suggest activities and outings for the coming months. Bring a dish to share, if you can. We eat at 6:00. The meetings start at 6:30 pm. Contact Sue Skorupski at 614.496.5579 or smskorupski@gmail.com if you have questions or need a ride.



THE FUTURE OF OUR FAITH

As retirement nears, there are opportunities to make broader plans for assets that have carefully accumulated over a lifetime. A planned gift is an intention that can be made when you are updating insurance beneficiaries; when you are meeting with your lawyer to update your will; or when you are meeting with your financial planner about your IRA. No gift is too small to make a meaningful, lasting impact on Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

For more information on how you can incorporate Our Lady of Perpetual Help into your estate planning and leave a legacy that will be felt forever, please contact Campbell Smith at 614.443.8893 or csmith@catholic-foundation.org.



The Knights of Columbus Council #4603 invite everyone to join with us in praying the Rosary, every second Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm in the Chapel.

We call Mary the Mother of Jesus “Our Lady of Perpetual Help”, and this is not an empty nickname or an exaggeration. Whether you pray the Rosary daily, whether you haven’t prayed in a while, or whether you’ve never prayed the Rosary at all—this is a great opportunity. You are very welcome to join the Knights of Columbus as we pray!

REUSABLE GROCERY BAGS

The theme for Earth Day 2024 revolves around “Healing Our Throwaway Culture: Focus on Plastics.” One simple yet effective way to contribute to this cause is by reusing or recycling grocery bags, thereby lessening the harmful impact of single-use plastic disposal in landfills.

During this Earth Day weekend, echoing the sentiments of Pope Francis’ *Laudato Si’* encyclical, which calls upon all individuals of goodwill to Care for our Common Home, Our Lady’s *Laudato Si* Action Team will distribute reusable grocery bags to families. Each bag, adorned with Our Lady’s logo, serves to raise awareness and promote the reduction of single-use plastic bag consumption. Donations will be accepted to offset the roughly \$3/bag cost.

What sets these reusable bags apart is their unique design. Featuring Our Lady’s branding, they can be conveniently folded into a self-storing pouch, allowing them to be easily tucked away in purses, car door pockets, or glove compartments. Over the past five decades, global plastic production has undergone a remarkable doubling. According to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the manufacture of plastic goods consumes about 4–8 percent of the world’s oil output. Addressing the plastic crisis is imperative if we are to enhance air and oceanic health, and safeguard both biodiversity and human well-being.



Consider this: disposable plastic bags are typically utilized for a mere 12 minutes before being discarded, contributing to a global recycling rate of less than 3%. The astonishing reality is that every second, approximately 160,000 plastic bags are consumed worldwide, amounting to a staggering five trillion annually. However, their environmental repercussions persist for centuries due to slow decomposition, with all unrecycled or unincinerated bags ever produced still in existence. It takes multiple generations for a single-use plastic bag to disintegrate into smaller particles known as microplastics, which then can infiltrate ecosystems and adversely affect both terrestrial and aquatic habitats.

Americans alone discard roughly 1 billion single-use plastic bags each year, ranking them among the top 10 items found in coastal clean-ups. Plastic debris poses a threat to over 260 marine species, leading to harm through asphyxiation or complications from plastic ingestion. An alarming statistic indicates that 85% of sea turtles are projected to sustain injuries or fatalities due to plastics during their lifetimes. And 80% of marine litter originates from land-based refuse, with the East Coast of the United States serving as a primary contributor to the North Atlantic Garbage Patch.

The sobering forecast is that, without intervention, the amount of plastic in the ocean could surpass that of fish by 2050. Despite these disheartening figures, there is room for optimism. Each individual who switches to reusable or recycled bags has the potential to prevent thousands of plastic bags from entering the environment. When opting for reusables, it’s crucial to consider their environmental footprint and the number of uses needed to offset higher production costs. Regardless of the bag’s material—whether plastic, paper,

or otherwise—the most sustainable choice is the one you already possess. By maximizing its usage and then responsibly recycling it, you can significantly diminish its environmental impact. What if you find yourself without a reusable bag? Recycle them! While most residential curbside recycling programs typically accept items like plastic bottles, paper, and cardboard, plastic bags require special handling due to their lightweight and flexible nature, which can pose challenges in traditional recycling systems.

HERE’S A GUIDE TO EFFECTIVELY RECYCLING PLASTIC BAGS:

1. Prepare the bags for recycling by removing any non-plastic items such as receipts or stickers, as these can disrupt the recycling process. Flatten the bags to save space and facilitate transportation.
 2. Take your clean and dry plastic bags to designated drop-off locations at grocery stores, retailers, or dedicated recycling centers specifically equipped to handle plastic bags. Look for labeled bins or containers where you can deposit them.
- Kroger accepts various types of plastic, including grocery bags, bubble wrap, plastic overwrap from paper towels, cereal box liners, bread bags, dry cleaning bags, produce bags, newspaper sleeves, and plastic shipping envelopes. Look for their special Zero Hunger | Zero Waste bins located at the front of their stores.
 - Giant Eagle also welcomes plastic grocery bags, bubble wrap, air pillows, plastic shipping envelopes, newspaper sleeves, bread loaf bags, produce wrap, grocery produce bags, bulk water bottle packaging, as well as paper towel and toilet paper case wrap.

In his encyclical *Laudato Si'*, Pope Francis frequently emphasizes the necessity of an “ecological conversion” to confront the environmental issues confronting our planet. He references the Bishops of the United States, who suggest that “our care for one another and our care for the earth are intimately bound together.” As custodians entrusted by God with the stewardship of this remarkable planet, let us commit ourselves wholeheartedly to the care of all creation.



5TH SUNDAY COLLECTION

This weekend, April 6 and 7, 2024 (delayed a week due to Easter), is the 5th Sunday collection for St. Vincent de Paul. Members of SVDP will be at the doors after each Mass to accept your donations. Your donations will allow us to aid those in need within our Community with electric bills, water bills, gas bills, phone bills, rent/ mortgage payment, car insurance, food/

groceries, etc. For those unable to attend Mass, you may send your check to the Parish office for St. Vincent de Paul, or you can donate online at: ourladygc.org/ministries/st-vincent-de-paul

Also, anyone who is in need, or anyone who knows someone who is in need, may contact the Parish Office at 614.875.3322, ext. 311. We are very grateful to Our Lady of Perpetual Help parishioners for their continued support of our ministry.



PARISH WOMEN’S ASSOCIATION THANKS YOU!

Dear Parishioners,

The Parish Women’s Association would like to express their gratitude for the tremendous response to our Spring Bake Sale and Raffle. Thank you to all of those who baked those delicious goodies, those who purchased the goodies, those who contributed financially to the sale and all those who purchased raffle tickets for our fabulous gift baskets. Special thanks go to Maggie, Marijean and Diane our bake sale chairs. Profits from our Sale will go towards crosses for the OCIA candidates, the Confirmation reception, Saints Night Out, Baptismal cloths, the Brian Muha Foundation and cleaning of vestments. Thank you again for your tremendous generosity and supporting of PWA. May God bless you always.



The Appeal
Supporting Catholic Ministries

THE 2023 APPEAL RESULTS

Thank you to everyone who contributed this past year. Information regarding The Appeal for 2024 will be coming soon.

2023 The Appeal Goal: \$151,750

Total Pledged: \$286,534 as of 3/1/24

To Our Lady Appeal: \$134,784

GOSPEL JOHN 20:19-31

HOLY SPIRIT



how did he get in here?
peace be with you

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side.

The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."

Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples said to him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nailmarks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

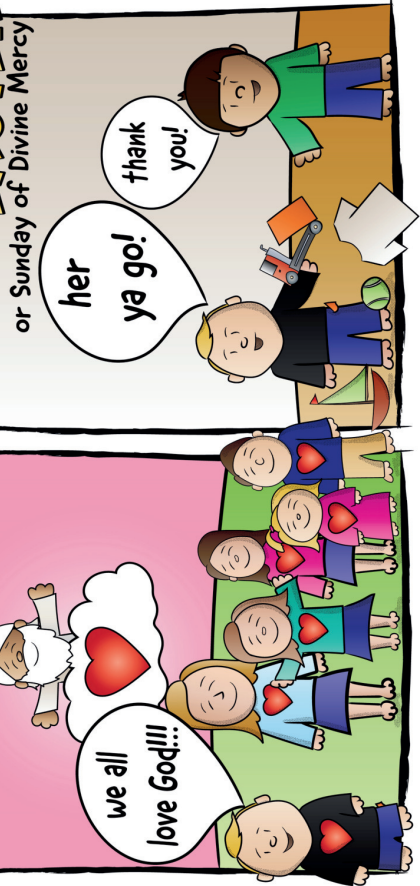


Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name.

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THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

or Sunday of Divine Mercy



The community of believers was of one heart and mind, and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own, but they had everything in common. With great power the apostles bore witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great favor was accorded them all. There was no needy person among them, for those who owned property or houses would sell them, bring the proceeds of the sale, and put them at the feet of the apostles, and they were distributed to each according to need.

1ST READING ACTS 4:32-35



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