

Our Lady of the Angels Catholic Church

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Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday • 9:00 am to 3:00 pm



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Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time • August 9th 2026



Our Mission Statement Reflects Our Spirit

"Our Lady of the Angels is a worshipping community dedicated to the education and spiritual growth of the whole parish family. With guidance from the Holy Spirit we extend our Christian love to the community we serve. We proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord with all our hearts and we welcome all to join us on our journey in following Him."

A Few Words From Fr. Dariusz.....



The Prophet Elijah was one of the greatest prophets in the Old Testament. He lived during a tumultuous time in Israel's history. The nation was divided and many of the people, including the leaders, were worshipping pagan gods. In fact, just prior to today's passage, Elijah had confronted the prophets of Baal, a prominent pagan god. He triumphed over them by challenging them to call fire down from heaven upon their altar. After

hours of them invoking their gods and nothing happening, Elijah erected an altar, drenched it and the wood in water, and called down fire upon it from heaven. The one, true God answered and consumed the entire altar with fire. Elijah then had all the prophets of Baal killed. The king of Israel during this time was Ahab, who was not faithful to God. He and his wife, Jezebel, had led the people away from God and into worship of pagan gods, such as Baal. Thus, they were angry with what Elijah did to the prophets of Baal. As a result, Jezebel sought to have Elijah killed. It is within this context that today's first reading falls. When Elijah went to the desert he was fleeing for his life. This explains his state of anxiety and his desire to simply die there. Elijah probably felt exhausted and wanted to give up the very unpopular work of being a prophet. But that was not God's plan. God provided for Elijah's needs, sustaining him with food and drink. The miraculous provision of bread foreshadows the Eucharist discussed in today's gospel.

In the Second Reading, St. Paul reminds the Christians in Ephesus that they "were sealed for the day of redemption" by the Holy Spirit. This identifier should call to mind the sacraments of baptism and confirmation through which the Holy Spirit comes to dwell within us and we are sealed with an indelible mark on our souls. Just think, in particular, of the words said at confirmation by the celebrant: "Be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit." We are set apart and marked as God's people to love and serve Him. Paul is exhorting us in today's second reading to act like it. When he says "do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God," he is exhorting Christians to avoid sin. We sin whenever we disobey one of God's commands. In our society today, sin is often downplayed. More and more sins are becoming socially acceptable. This makes it increasingly

more difficult to avoid sin. Often times, we hear the phrase, "As long as it doesn't hurt anyone, it's okay." But have you ever considered how our sin hurts God? All sin is harmful to us but also "grieves" God and most of the time harms our human relationships too. Mortal sin (i.e. very grave sin) even breaks us off from our relationship with God. This is very serious! The Apostle Paul did not take sin lightly. He exhorts us to remove sin from our lives. We should avoid sin like the plague! How do we do this? By pursuing the good. By being "kind to one another, compassionate, forgiving one another," etc. We are called to "be imitators of God." This means to love as He loves; to forgive as He forgives; to have compassion like He does; and more. How is this possible? Jesus offered Himself as a sacrifice for us on the cross so we can be transformed into saints. In Jesus, we have everything we need to excel in holiness.

Today's gospel reading picks up soon after last week's reading from the "Bread of Life Discourse." While speaking with the crowds soon after the Multiplication of the Loaves miracle, during the time of the Passover, Jesus claimed to be "the bread that came down from heaven." This upset the Jews. They could not comprehend how Jesus could have "come down from heaven" when they knew his parents and his local origins. Jesus then explained that people would only understand His heavenly origins and, therefore, His identity by God revealing it to them. He then stressed the importance of faith by stating, "whoever believes has eternal life." Jesus also stressed that He is, in fact, "the bread of life." Last week we heard about the manna that God provided for the Israelites in the wilderness during the period of the exile. Jesus explained that although the manna provided for the physical needs of the people, it could do nothing to save them from death. The bread He offers can lead to eternal life. It is nourishment for the soul. It is, in fact, Jesus Himself who is this bread that sustains us and allows us to "live forever." And what is this bread? Jesus said, "the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." The bread is the Eucharist, which is the very body, blood, soul, and divinity of Jesus. It is food for our souls to unite us to God and grant us life everlasting. Therefore, let us come to the banquet and be nourished by the bread of life.

May God bless all of us,

Fr. D

MASS INTENTIONS**Monday Aug 10th No Mass****Tuesday Aug 11th Mass 8:45am**

+Michael Gregorchuk (G-MA)

Wednesday Aug 12th No Mass**Thursday Aug 13th Mass 8:45am****Friday Aug 14th Mass 8:45AM****Saturday Aug 15th Mass 4:00pm**

+Anthony & Mary Ann Giorgio(Anna Marie Fiscelli)

+Roy & Sumi Kaneko (Family)

+Joseph John Siroskey (Family)

+Fr. Joe Grech (Anthony & Carmen Grech)

+Gorga Grech (Anthony & Carmen Grech)

Sunday Aug 16th Mass 9:30am

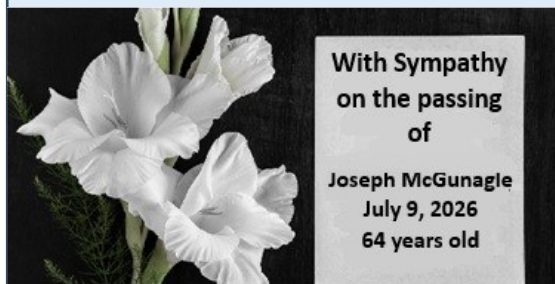
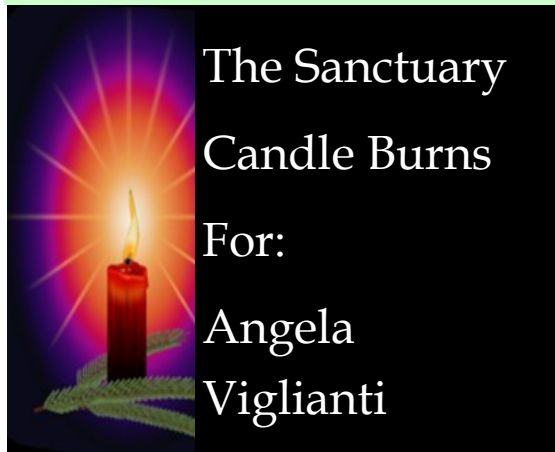
+Rose Alongi (Lorraine McFee)

+Leo Tamoshunas (Tacy Bowser)

Sunday Aug 16th Mass 11:30am

+Tim Kerrigan (Victor & Deborah Muzzin)

+Jeanie Browne (Browne Family)

**For August 15th and 16th:****1st Reading:** Isaiah 56:1, 6-7**2nd Reading:** Romans 11:13-15, 29-32**Gospel:** Matthew 15:21-28**Prayer Request List**

Dear God, We place our worries in Your hands. We place our sick under Your care and humbly ask that You restore Your servants to good health once more. .

Jack Amo	Vanessa Moats
Pat Ankony	William Norris
Larry Barduca	Michele Noris
Bobbie Belknap	Teddy Phillips
Susan Bellant	Sister Angela Pikus
Albert and Mary Brodbeck	Cody Plough
Maureen Byrne	Juliana Radford
Linda Cable	Janel Rea
David Chavis	Cindy Resovsky
Brenda Clemens	Aline Rito
David Cooper	Diane Rito
Andrea Cosgrove	Anthony Roulo
Jimmy Lee Edwards	Larry Sabados
Doug England	Andres Sabados
Amanda Semetko-Fecek	Nancy Sabados
Gary Felker	Brian Shufeldt
Sharon Ferrise	Cosmo Sivak
Matt Ferrante	Daniel Smith
Ann Marie Fiscelli	Patty Smolinski
Bruce Forest	Richard Smolinski
Elena Fulgencio	GINNY STACK
Andre Gane	Gloria Tamoshunas
Cole Giesin	Jerry Tenerowicz
Andrew Guingon	Michael Valle
Marylynn Hamilton	Scott Varga
Ernest Hensley	Regina Venancio
Monalisa Hull	Kadie Viglianti
Mary Hurst	John Waszak
Alex Johnson	Angela Weld
Karen Kimes	Joan Weiss
Mary Ann Kimes	Thomas Yoder
Sara Kunch	John Zaidel
Larry LaDuke	Caroline Zampini
Ron Lovasz	Fred Zuppa
Robert McLachlan	David Zyczynski
Jerry McGrath	
Lisa Menna	

Current Ministry Schedule**Aug 15th & Aug 16th 2026****Lector****4:00pm** Duane Tufts**9:30am** Daryl McFee**1****11:30am** Amadeo Drysdale**Eucharistic Ministers****4:00pm** Sue Vokal, Shari Cybert, Mary Sue Pompa**9:30am** Jennifer Davis, Fred Davis, Bill Ehred**11:30am** Joan Bavuga, Jane Dewald, Louise Fregonara**Purificators & Finger Towel Laundry** Linda Kilduff**NEW LECTOR & EM SCHEDULES ARE IN THE USHERS ROOM.**



School Supplies

The extra expense of school supplies can be daunting when funds are limited yet education is high on the priority list. Our Food Pantry and Christian Service have collaborated to ensure every student has a good start to a new school year. We are collecting the following school supplies for children in need for our servicing area:

Wood & mechanical pencils	2 pocket folders
Crayons 24 count	Pencil sharpeners
Pens	Safety scissors
White school glue	Washable markers
Wide rule loose leaf paper	Erasers
Colored pencils	Pencil boxes
Wide rule spiral note books	Glue sticks
Highlighter markers	12" rulers

Many retailers have already started their "buy one get one" or "penny" sales.

As always, your kindness and generosity will make a major difference. Donations can be dropped in the labeled tote in the narthex or at the parish office. We appreciate you!



50/50 Pantry Press August 2026 6th edition

"This morning, the sun endures past dawn, I realize that it is August: the summer's last stand."

It is my pleasure to welcome Grace Episcopal Church, Southgate, and Victory Temple Church, Southgate, to our 50/50 partnership program. Great to have your support.

Through the Stamp Out Hunger event on May 9, the following post offices (Allen Park, Dearborn, Dearborn Annex, Lincoln Park, and Taylor) donated 25,602 pounds of food collected through the mail carriers. We are appreciative of the community support.

In June the pantry celebrated National Dairy month to celebrate Michigan's massive dairy industry and promote the health benefits of dairy consumption. A grant to Fish & Loaves was provided to purchase a refrigerator for the pantry. Such a valuable asset.

Our Happy Soles event on June 7 had 263 participants, raising \$13,327. Everyone enjoyed the great outdoors at Heritage Park. Thank you for the wonderful turn out.

One of our 50/50 Partner churches (Church of the Way, Grosse Isle), provided 15 volunteers to do a cleaning project at the pantry on June 7, from 12:30-2:00 pm. They did an incredible job.

A BIG shout out to U.A.W. 225 for hosting a Summer Meal Give Away, June 22-26, donating 2,344# of food at a cost to them of \$2,022.09. Thank you so much.

On June 10 Fish & Loaves and Taylor Conservatory joined together to host The Taylor Swift Experience to benefit both organizations. Despite the storms, it was an incredible evening.

Music Bingo on July 15 was well attended with 165 people helping us raise \$5,500. Thank you to our sponsors and all who attended. It's always a good time.

- Sept. 19 - Par for the Course, Taylor Meadows Golf Course
- Nov. 27-29; Dec. 4-6; Dec. 11-13; Dec. 18-20 - Santa's Magic Forest
- December 1 - Giving Tuesday (www.flcfp.org), go to the Donate tab, then the Giving Tuesday 2026 tab).

Fish & Loaves will be closed on Sept. 3-7 for Labor Day; Nov. 26-29 for Thanksgiving

Want to host a food drive? Visit our website (www.flcfp.org), go to the Donate tab, then the Food Drive tab). To volunteer at the pantry or Fresh Market, contact the coordinator, Denise Murray at volunteer@flcfp.org



Fr. Saylor Knights of Columbus Council 3774

17113 Champaign, Allen Park — <https://www.kofc3774.org/>

Upcoming Events:

Every Tuesday • Euchre 630 pm sign in starts— cards 7 to 930 pm

Wednesday, August 26 • Steak Night -- Lounge 5 pm to 8 pm \$20 includes NY strip steak, potato, salad, & dessert!

Saturday, August 29 • Football Mania Kickoff and Wrestling in the Park - Times to be announced

Contact Joe Lalli at 313-779-0568 FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO JOIN THE KNIGHTS



Our Prayer Garden

The garden is enjoyed by many that walk through it and admire all the different aspects that make it such an attractive part of our Church grounds. It honors many of the founding members as well as numerous current parishioners, their friends and families.

To buy a brick, you can fill out the form in the Parish Office. We take orders for bricks all year long. The cost is \$125 with 3 lines of inscription. Each line accommodates 14 characters including the spaces. Symbols can be inscribed on the bricks at a cost of \$5.00 each. The office has a list of the different symbols that can be put on a brick.



Religious Education

ST. FRANCES CABRINI CATHOLIC CHURCH

Registration for Children's Faith Formation is open NOW until August 22, 2026. Please contact the Office of Discipleship Formation for information at 313-381-5601.



**Mark your calendars for our next
blood drive on Sunday, October 4 th!**

OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS
MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
Sunday, September 27 ~ 11:30 a.m. Liturgy
Celebrant: Fr. Dariusz Strzalkowski

For couples, celebrating their 5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th, 55th, 60th Anniversaries (or any year past 60) A reception in the parish center will follow the Mass. Please provide a wedding picture or current picture of the happy couple!

Name of Couple: _____
Address: _____
Years of Anniversary: _____ Phone # _____
How many guests will attend in your honor: _____

Please respond by September 20th. No exceptions.
Fill out and place form in the collection basket or drop off at the Parish Office



Scrabble!
ESNGIES

HINT: It's a book



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Keep up to date on the AOD restructuring process at restructuring.aod.org.

St. Vincent de Paul

Thanks to the generosity of many, St. Vincent de Paul profited over \$1,100 (with more donations expected) from the Ice Cream/Baked Goods Social the last weekend of July.

The basket winners are:
Summer Fun – Linda W
Tea and Honey – Jill J
Italian Night – Mary F
Scratch and See – Sue V
Date Night – Stella M

Vera Bradley Experience – Sue E

The funds will benefit St. Vincent de Paul, SVdP Food Pantry and Kids' Summer Camp Ozanam. Thanks again. Remember, we're always looking for more members!

Mary Ferguson
Social Chairperson
313-318-4024



FOOD PANTRY BACK TO SCHOOL 2026

Back to school will soon be upon us. With your help our Food Pantry is hoping to give a little extra assistance to families with children returning to school this fall. We could use staples like peanut butter, jelly, tuna or chicken, fruit snacks and granola bars, mac n cheese or can ravioli. Many stores have already started advertising great savings. Please consider donating a few of those items. They will be greatly appreciated! Monetary donations are also gratefully accepted to purchase bread, lunchmeat, cheese and eggs and milk. We are happy to do the shopping for you. All donations should be brought to the Parish Office -weekdays 9:00-3:00(except Wednesdays). Checks should be made out to Our Lady of the Angels Food Pantry or consider donating one-time or monthly directly through our Church Website www.loacc.org. Select the Pantry fund using the Online Giving link. Thank you for all of you who support the Pantry! Your generous contributions have been a tremendous help filling the shelves so that we can continue to help those less fortunate.

God Bless!

Penney Cummer, Pantry Director

EVENTS

MEN'S PRAYER GROUP
EVERY MONDAY 7PM
ST. ANNE ROOM

WOMEN OF PRAYER
SECOND AND FOURTH FRIDAY OF THE MONTH
ST. ANNE ROOM 9:30 AM

USHERS' MEETING
SECOND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH

CHRISTIAN SERVICE MEETING
11 AM TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8



Oktoberfest

Pick up your grand raffle tickets in the narthex AND return them by 1 pm Sunday, September 6th to be eligible for the sellers' incentive drawing.

This is our second largest fundraiser. Your support is greatly appreciated for our success. If you are new to the parish OR if you do not find your ticket envelope, please call the parish office at 313-381-3000 with your contact information and address. We will prepare an envelope for you.

Due to a computer glitch we are still trying to figure out, some names are not printing on a general list. Thank you for your understanding and mark your calendars for Saturday, October 10 And join us for a great night of food & live music.

**Come Pray
To Our
Mother!**



MERCY ROSARIES **2026**

**AUGUST 15TH: THE FEAST OF THE
ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

ST. CLARE OF MONTEFALCO CATHOLIC CHURCH
1401 WHITTIER ROAD, GROSSE POINTE PARK, MI 48230

2:30 PM

FOOD PANTRY

**Partners with MEIJER this
Summer 2026**

With more members of our community are turning to Our Lady of the Angels food pantry for help with food insecurity, Our Lady of the Angels Pantry has again joined forces with the Meijer Simply Give Hunger Relief program to help fill that void for our local families.

OLA Food Pantry has been selected to participate with Meijer on their upcoming campaign which begins **Jun 28th, 2025 through Sep 26th, 2026.** Meijer will also offer **Double Match Days at the Taylor Meijer on Pardee on Sat, Aug 15th and Sat, Sep 12th.** On these days, your \$10 donation match by Meijer will be doubled, making the value of your contribution \$30. The \$10 Donations cards are available at the Taylor Meijer as well as in the Narthex or Parish office. We will also distribute them in the church bulletin prior to Double Match days. **Please turn them in at the Meijer check-out any time you shop Jun 28 – Sep 26th, 2026.**

Thank you to all of you who support the Pantry with food or monetary donations. We are very grateful for your generosity. Your contributions have been a tremendous help keeping the pantry supplied so that we can continue to help those less fortunate than ourselves.

Penney Cumber, Pantry Director

Sacraments

Order of Masses

Saturday 4:00pm

Sunday 9:30am, 11:30am

Tuesday 8:45am

Thursday, Friday 8:45am

Wednesday

No Mass or Prayer Service

Holy Days

As Announced

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00 pm

Baptism

Infants and young children are baptized once a month throughout the year. Parents and Godparents must attend a Baptism Preparation Class at St. Frances Cabrini prior to Baptism. Please call the office.

Marriage

Couples who wish to be married at OLOA will meet with Fr. Dariusz to discuss their plans and set their **marriage** date. Prior to the wedding, the couple attends an

engaged couples workshop. Please contact Fr. Dariusz to schedule your pre-marriage appointment at least 8 months in advance of your wedding date.

New Parishioners

Register at Parish Office

Change of Address or Contact Information

Notify Parish Office

Calling Post

Text 'ANGELS' to 24251

Follow us on Facebook

<http://www.facebook.com/ladyoftheangels>

Sanctuary Candle

We would like to offer weekly dedications for the Sanctuary candles to burn in honor of your special intention. Donations are \$5.00 and requests can be made by calling or coming into the Parish Office at 313-381-3000.

For Shut-Ins • Mass on TV

Sunday Mass

Comcast Channel 393 • 8:00am, 12:00pm

Weekday Mass

Comcast Channel 1668 • 8:00am, 12:00pm
Comcast Channel 398 • 8:00am, 12:30pm, 7:00pm, and 9:30pm

OUR STEWARDSHIP:

Weekend of:

August 2, 2026

Collection..... \$8312.00

Envelopes..... 169

Online \$1689.00

Total..... \$10,001.00



Have you thought about giving on-line? It is a safe way to regularly support Our Lady of the Angels. Go to our website (www.loacc.org) and click on the "Give" link at the bottom of the 1st page.