

OCTOBER 12TH, 2025

28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MONTH OF THE **HOLY ROSARY**

MASS TIMES:

DAILY: Mon - Sat - 8:30am

SAT: 4pm

SUN: 9am, 11am

1pm at Vistancia Elementary

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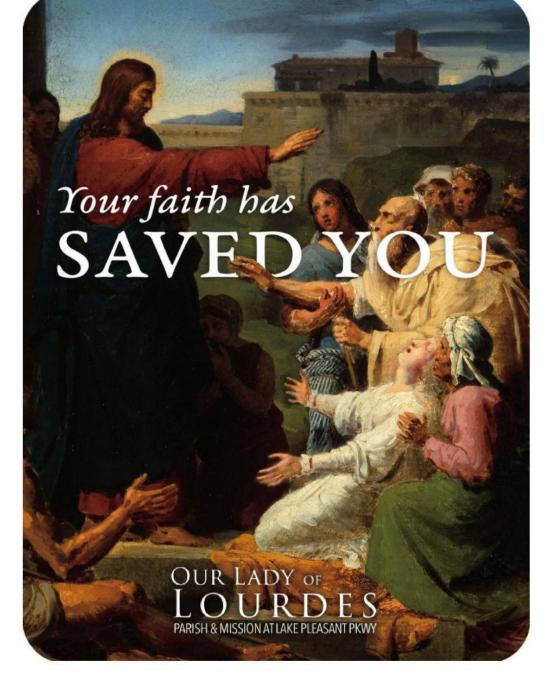
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Sunday, October 12th

9:00am For The Parishioners 11:00am + For the Soul of Erhard Rollnik 1:00pm † For the Deceased Members of The James Moore Family

Monday, October 13th

8:30am + For the Soul of Ron Gillmeister

Tuesday, October 14th

8:30am + For the Souls of Richard Hicks & William Soeder

Wednesday, October 15th

8:30am + For the Soul of Norman Bialek

Thursday, October 16th

8:30am + For the Soul of Bob Charlebois

Friday, October 17th

8:30am + For the Soul of Andrew Kachel

Saturday, October 18th

8:30am + For the Souls of John & Sophie Schutz 4:00pm + For the Soul of Lyle Oreson

Sunday, October 19th

9:00am Catholic Daughters Sunday 11:00am For the Parishioners 1:00pm + For the Souls of Deacon Jim Myers



Sunday, October 12th Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time 2 Kgs 5:14-17; Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4; 2 Tm 2:8-13; Lk 17:11-19

Monday, October 13th

Rom 1:1-7; Ps 98:1bcde, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday, October 14th

Rom 1:16-25; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday, October 15th Memorial of Saint Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

Rom 2:1-11; Ps 62:2, 6-7, 9; Lk 11:42-46

Thursday, October 16th

Rom 3:21-30; Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab, Lk 11:47-54

Friday, October 17th

Memorial of Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr

Rom 4:1-8 Ps 32:1b-2, 5, 11; Lk 12:1-7

Saturday, October 18th

Feast of Saint Luke, Evangelist

2 Tm 4:10-17b; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18; Lk 10:1-9

Sunday, October 19th

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ex 17:8-13; Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; 2 Tm 3:14-4:2; Lk 18:1-8





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Catholic Considerations for Our Earthly Passing

We know earthly death is not the end, but rather the door through which we must pass to gain eternal life. Because of our belief and hope in the Resurrection, we can face death not with fear, but with preparation. Although certainly not comprehensive, the following considerations are provided as starting points for understanding and preparing for this transition, whether it is imminent or not.

NOW AND AT THE HOUR OF OUR DEATH1

We prepare for eternal life by choosing to love and follow God now, in our daily lives and decisions. For example, through prayer and regular reception of the sacraments, especially Confession and the Eucharist, we obtain grace to live in everdeeper communion with God and with one another in lives of faith, charity, and justice.² We ask for Our Blessed Mother's help now, and we entrust ourselves to her further as we "surrender 'the hour of our death' wholly to her care."

FORMING OUR CONSCIENCES.....

Our journey with Christ naturally includes equipping our consciences to make morally good judgments and acting accordingly. Learning about the dignity of human life and the indispensable respect for it, sa well as applicable principles for medical care, is particularly important in preparing for our eventual passing.

Some bishops offer guides applying moral principles to local legal options.⁶ Parish and online resources are also widely available for careful and prayerful study, and the Ethical and Religious Directives from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops give direction for health care services to those who are seriously ill or dying.⁷

A NOTE ON GENERAL PRINCIPLES

No summary can substitute for thorough catechesis, but some general principles are clear. We are entrusted by God with the gift of life, and in response, we care for our lives and health in obedience and gratitude to our Creator.

This obliges us to make use of appropriate, effective medical care. However, even effective treatments may at times impose such a great burden that we, in good conscience, may forgo or discontinue them. This applies even to life-sustaining treatments. Of course, nothing should be done or deliberately omitted to hasten death.⁶

The Church affirms the inviolable dignity of every person, regardless of the duration or extent of the person's incapacity or dependency. Nothing diminishes the unchangeable dignity and sanctity of a person's life, or the obligation to protect and care for it. In principle, assisted feeding and hydration should be provided unless it cannot sustain life or is unduly burdensome to the patient, or if death is imminent whether it is provided or not.

Moreover, no one should choose suicide, nor counsel or assist another to take his or her own life.

DISCERNING TREATMENT OPTIONS.....

Judging the effect and burden of treatments can be difficult, especially as death draws near. To understand health facts and treatment options, we need professional medical advice. To understand Catholic moral teaching, we need to consult Church teaching and those who can faithfully explain it.

SPEAKING WITH LOVED ONES

After informing our consciences, we need to inform our families. If we are unable to make decisions, they most often have legal authority to make surrogate decisions on our behalf. Or we may designate a health care agent by a durable power of attorney.

Though it is often helpful to also have written, signed documentation, no living will "check box" can ever replace clear conversations about our faith-guided principles. The best option is to choose an agent who will make medical decisions on our behalf in accord with our Catholic faith and Church teaching.

We should also inform family of our pastoral care preferences, and make clear that after death, we desire prayer, funeral rites, and Christian burial.⁹

ACCOMPANIMENT BEFORE AND AFTER DEATH 10

Those who are sick should not be alone, as multiple popes have reminded us in messages for the annual World Day of the Sick. Patients who have serious or life-threatening illnesses, as well as their families, can be provided with physical, psychological, and spiritual care through team-based palliative care. 11 Hospice care can provide similar integrated care for those nearing death and for their families.

Pastoral care is integral to both palliative and hospice care, and includes making available the Eucharist, Confession, Anointing of the Sick, and Viaticum.¹² It also includes supportive

prayer¹³ and support for decision makers. It may be helpful to familiarize ourselves with local services available in preparation for our own passing or that of loved ones.

Even after death, accompaniment continues. Our prayers can help those who are being purified in Purgatory, so it is a spiritual work of mercy to pray for those who have died.¹⁴

HOPE IN THE RESURRECTION

Those who die in God's grace and friendship live forever with Christ. Heaven is not an abstract idea, but a true and lasting relationship with God that is beyond all earthly description and understanding. We look forward to the resurrection of the dead and everlasting life by preparing now, in hope, for our passage from this life into eternal life.

We need not fear. Christ is with us.

- 1 Catechism of the Catholic Church, 2nd ed., 2012 ff.
- 2 See Pope Francis, General Audience, 27 November 2013 (Libreria Editrice Vaticana), https://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/audiences/2013/ documents/papa-francesco_20131127_udienza-generale.html.
- 3 Catechism of the Catholic Church, 2677.
- 4 Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1776 ff. United States Catholic Catechism for Adults (Washington, D.C.: United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2006), pg. 314.
- 5 Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1701 ff., 2258 ff.
- 6 Many state conferences of Catholic Bishops have published materials which may help you with decisions about advance directives. To find these and other resources, contact your local diocesan Respect Life office. A directory is available at www.usccb.org/about/pro-life-activities/ diocesan-pro-life-offices.cfm.
- 7 Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Care Services, 5th ed, (Washington, D.C.: United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2009), http://www.usccb.org/about/doctrine/ethical-and-religious-directives/. (See especially Part 5.)
- See Pope John Paul II, Evangelium vitae, (Libreria Editrice Vaticana, 1995),
 15.
- 9 A summary is found here: http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/ bereavement-and-funerals/overview-of-catholic-funeral-rites.cfm.

- 10 Pope Francis uses the term "accompaniment" often; see its many occurrences in Evangelii gaudium.
- 11 Pope Francis, "Address of His Holiness Pope Francis to Participants in the Plenary of the Pontifical Academy for Life" (Libreria Editrice Vaticana, 2015), https://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/speeches/2015/ march/documents/papa-francesco_20150305_pontificia-accademia-vita. html
- 12 Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1499–1532. See also Pope Benedict XVI, "Message of the Holy Father on the Occasion of the Twentieth World Day of the Sick" (Libreria Editrice Vaticana, 2012), https://w2.vatican. va/content/benedict-xvi/en/messages/sick/documents/hf_ben-xvi_ mes_20111120_world-day-of-the-sick-2012.html.
- 13 See for example these prayers at the time of dying and death http:// www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/bereavement-and-funerals/prayersfor-death-and-dying.cfm.
- 14 Pope Francis, General Audience, 30 November 2016, (Libreria Editrice Vaticana), https://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/audiences/2016/ documents/papa-francesco_20161130_udienza-generale.html

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Saint Carlo Acutis: Patron for the Digital Age

Saint Carlo Acutis, canonized on October 10, 2025, is the first millennial saint — a reminder that holiness is possible even in our fast-moving, digital world.

Born in 1991, Carlo grew up in Milan with a deep love for the Eucharist and the Blessed Mother. He attended daily Mass, prayed the Rosary, and often said, "The Eucharist is my highway to Heaven." Though only fifteen when he died of leukemia, his short life was filled with faith, joy, and purpose.

Carlo had a special gift for technology. He taught himself computer programming and built a website documenting Eucharistic miracles from around the world. His project continues to inspire thousands to rediscover Christ's presence in the Blessed Sacrament.

He once said, "We are all born originals, but many die as photocopies." His words challenge us to live authentically, to use our talents for good, and to see technology as a tool for evangelization rather than distraction.

Saint Carlo is now the patron of youth, computer programmers, and the internet. His life teaches us three lasting lessons:

- Center your life on the Eucharist. Make time for Mass and Adoration.
- Use your gifts for God. Every skill can serve a higher purpose.
- Live with joy. True happiness comes from looking toward God.

Carlo offered his final suffering for the Church and the Pope, showing that holiness is found in small, faithful acts of love. His witness speaks to our own time, proving that even a teenager with a computer can lead souls to Heaven.

Saint Carlo Acutis, pray for us!







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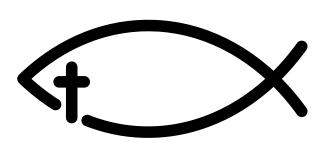
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October 2025

Dear Parishioner,

YOU COULD BE A WINNER!

As many of you are aware the Women's Guild has revived the Raffle held annually until 2019!

<u>Your participation</u> will help the Women's Guild continue a long tradition of helping the parish financially. All proceeds from this <u>parish-wide event-will help fund parish needs</u>. The Guild has prepared <u>an envelope addressed to each parishioner</u> which includes two books of tickets and a letter explaining how to turn in your donation and ticket stubs. Additional tickets are available.

TICKETS ARE \$2.00 EACH OR \$10.00 FOR 6 TICKETS

Tickets <u>must be turned in by November 15th, 2025</u>
Winners will be drawn on December 1st, 2025

Winners need not be present at the drawing. We will contact all the winners.

PRIZES: ONE \$1,000, prize, TWO \$500, prizes and FIVE \$100, prizes...

Place all your <u>filled-in</u> ticket stubs along with your check or cash in the enclosed, self-addressed return envelope. You can send it via mail or drop it off at the Church office. <u>Checks should be payable to OLOL Women's Guild.</u> **PLEASE RETURN ANY UNPURCHASED TICKETS**.

PLEASE DO NOT PUT THEM IN THE SAT./SUNDAY COLLECTION BASKETS

Thank you for your understanding and continuing support of the Women's Guild. This Raffle is our major fund-raiser this year (*replacing the Craft Bazaar*) and will help us ensure that our parish continues to thrive and serve its members.

Questions or to request additional tickets -- contact Anna Morrison, 541-991-6318

Sincerely,

June Unrein President, 2025-2026 Our Lady of Lourdes Women's Guild









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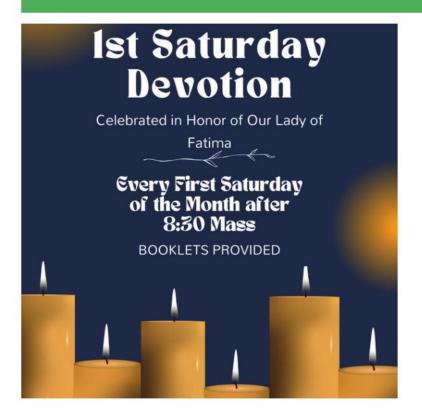
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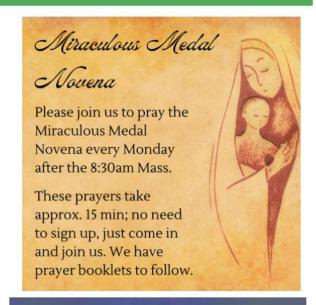
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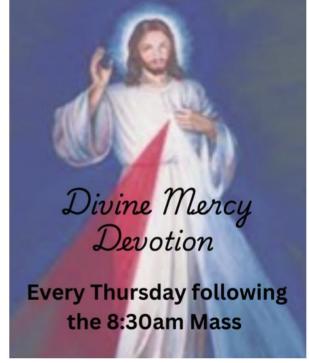
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