

WELCOME TO OUR LADY OF GRACE PARISH

All Catholics 18 and older living in the area and regularly worshipping here are encouraged to register. Formal registration is required for persons wishing to participate in our Sacramental Preparation for Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, Reconciliation and Marriage. Baptism or Confirmation sponsors must be registered and active at least three months prior to reception of the sacrament.

STEWARDSHIP

Being a member of our community means that each one of us is faithful in sharing of the gifts that God has given us. We are asked to share our faith and prayer; our time, ability and knowledge and our financial resources with the parish for the good of God's people.

EUCHARIST

Saturday: 4:30 pm

Sunday: 8:00, 10:30 am and 5:30 pm

Holy Day: check bulletin for times

Daily: 8:30 am Mon-Fri;

First Saturday: 8:30 am

Rosary prayed Monday thru Friday 8:00 AM

BAPTISM

Baptism is celebrated on the 1st and 3rd Sundays after the 10:30 am Mass. Baptism Preparation is required prior to baptism. The parents must be registered and practicing parishioners. Godparents must be active members of a parish and recommended by their pastor. Adults and/or older children seeking baptism do so according to the Rites of Christian Initiation of Adults. Please call the Parish Office.

RECONCILIATION

Thursdays before First Friday 3:00 to 4:00 pm.
Saturdays 3:00 to 4:00 pm. Communal celebration of Reconciliation seasonally scheduled, and also by appointment.

CONFIRMATION

Preparation takes place in Religious Education classes and our parish grade school. All other parishioners wishing confirmation please call **Donna Velez 219-301-9896** to arrange preparation.

MARRIAGE

Prior to setting a date, the marriage plans and preparation should be arranged at least 6 months before the desired wedding date, sooner if at all possible. Please contact the Parish Office to make appointment.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK AND VISIATION

Anyone seriously ill, hospitalized for major surgery or advanced age may be anointed by contacting the Parish Office. Communion calls to the sick or shut-in are on the first and third Sunday of the month. For pastoral visits made to hospitals or homes, please call the Parish Office, (219) 934-7176.



SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 16, 2025



6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Blessed are you who are now hungry,
for you will be satisfied.
Blessed are you who are now weeping,
for you will laugh."
- Lk 6:21

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Mission Statement

We, the Catholic Community of faith at Our Lady of Grace Parish, baptized into the life and ministry of Jesus Christ, are committed to make visible His life and ministry through spiritual growth in our lives, worship, community and service to those in need.

Parish Office (219) 934-7176
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OLG Outreach Ministry (219) 250-6874

Religious Education (219) 301-9896

Knights of Columbus # 8080 (773) 614-1802

Religious Education Director: Donna Velez
Email: olgdre1@gmail.com

Ephesus Home (Contact Parish Office)

Please go to websites for updated information for Parish & School or call the parish office

Social Outreach Commission

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS ALL THE SICK OF THE PARISH AND THOSE RECOVERING FROM SURGERY

J. Al-Akel, Margaret/John Amador Family, Peter/David B., Peggy Baxter, Joseph Belinsky, Aric Benton, Liz Breslin, Denyse Buck, George Buck, Eugene Bukowski Jr., Lorraine Burezyk, Errol Clarkson, Beverly Domsic, Patricia Donaldson, Betty Ann Dulla, Ralph Foster, Monica Furjel, Arturo Gante, Rich Garza, Carolyn Goeringer, Debbie Halas, Joan Hmrovic, Terry Hyland, Barbara Lidster, Mary Hogan, Janet Justice, Richard/Roberta Kaminsky, John Kowalski Jr., Margaret Kowalski, Jane Kowal, Carol/Leighann Lambert, Marge Loehrke, Jackie Lomeli, Patrick Maman, Micah Manes, John Manion, Matt Mantel, Kathleen McMahon, Patrick McMahon, Steve Michalec, Jane Morow, Lisa Nelson, Bernadine Nemeth, Maggie Neswick, Dominic Noce, Patricia O'Rourke, Helen Ostroski, JoAnn Pavnica, Vivian Perez, Nilsa Perez, Ryan Pawlak, Charmaine Plautz, Kevin Schlink, Kathy Slamkowski, Cole Spolaric, Robert Suarez, Bill Stone, Christine Tokarz, Maggie Trytek, Darrel/Alexandria Welty, Joseph/Doreen Wisniowski, Tom Wojcinski, Kathy Wojnicz, Chris/Kaylynn Wrobel, Stan/Vickie Wrobel, Sonja/Chris Zacny. **Names will remain on the Prayer List for 2 months. Requests to remain on the Prayer (219) 934-7176.**

Parish Life Commission

Religious Education News

Office Hours: Monday -Thursday 8 am – 2 pm

Religious Education Director: Donna Velez, 219-301-9896.

Classes are for children who attend Public School and are in Grades 1-8. Classes are held on Tuesday evenings from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) Classes

This is the process by which persons become Catholic through Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation. This process is for those who have never been baptized, baptized in a non-Catholic Christian tradition or baptized in the Catholic faith and never received the sacraments of Eucharist or Confirmation & are over the age of 7. Contact Donna Velez to register.

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

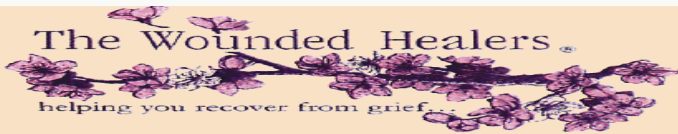
Too many of us make the mistake of expecting prosperity here on Earth as a reward for following Christ. But Jesus is very clear: sorrow and hardship are a part of life. But when we offer these sufferings to Christ, they become transformed. They become blessed. And so do we.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Planted Near Water

We all know that there are times when life can feel, as Jeremiah writes, empty and wasted. There are moments when we think we resemble a barren bush, thirsting in the desert sun.

That's why it is imperative for us to know the location of our water source. I promise you, it's closer than you think. God never planted a seed in barren ground. For me, it's the Mass. Going to Mass is where I find total peace and renewal. I don't have any great theological explanation for this — Mass is simply where I can truly rest in God for a time, where nothing and no one in the world can touch me. And wouldn't you know it, it's in the toughest times that I need Mass the most — that my roots stretch harder for that water. Woe to the rich, says Jesus — woe to the popular, to the content, to the happy. It's not because He hates to see us smile. It's because He knows our humanity. He knows our limitations. He knows that when things are going really well, we often stop looking for God. What replenishes you as a disciple, as a steward, as a Christian? If it feels far away or hard to reach, why is that? How can you bring it closer? We are all trees planted near water, to yield our fruit in due season. Let's pray for the strength to know where our water source is, and to seek it both in good times and in bad.— *Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS*



Meetings are held at:

St. James the Less Catholic Church
9640 Kennedy Avenue, Highland, IN (Corner of Kennedy Ave./ 45th St.)

Spring Series:

February 26
March 12, 26
April 9, 23

All meetings take place on Wednesdays, from 7:00-8:30pm

INSPIRE Adoration for Young Adults

Fri Apr 4th 7:00pm - 8:30pm (CDT)
Fri May 2nd 7:00pm - 8:30pm (CDT)
St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Student Center, 1511 Laporte Ave, Valparaiso, IN



PUZZLE
Find the way that leads to heaven.

MISSION
If I get money for a gift, I will share it with the needy.



Rachel's Vineyard Retreat for post-abortion healing

The Diocese of Gary is sponsoring a Rachel's Vineyard retreat for those suffering from the spiritual and mental pain of a past abortion. The retreat will take place in Michigan City, IN on April 4–6, 2025. It is open to anyone, both women and men, who are struggling to find peace and wholeness due to an abortion, whether your own or someone that you assisted. The retreat is completely confidential, and people of all faiths are welcome. Please call or text 219-552-2944, email nwinrv@outlook.com, go to Diocese of Gary website for more information to register. You can also look at the Rachel Vineyard website...<https://rachelvineyard.org>



**NEW YEAR "2025"
RAFFLE TICKETS**

PLEASE PICK UP YOUR TICKETS

Tickets are located on the northwest wall of the church on the tables.
The names are in alpha order.

YOU HAVE 33 CHANCES TO WIN 2025!

**Next Drawing
February 28, 2025**

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ROSARY GROUP IN THE CHAPEL
Everyday, the Rosary is prayed in the chapel, Mon-Sat., at 8:00 am We gather to pray for our special needs, families, country, our world. The mysteries of the rosary represent significant events in the life of Jesus Christ. Let's pray the rosary.



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9 am—1:00pm
Persons 55 and better are welcome
Wed.—Fitness Chair Aerobics and games
Thurs.—Pinochle and games and Arts and Crafts
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PARISH BREAKFAST
Next Parish Breakfast, February 23, 2025
Please join us 8:30 am– 12 Noon



SCRIPTURE STUDIES
Scripture studies February 23, 2025
from 4-5:15 pm held at Ephesus Home (3033 Condit St.)
Bring your Bible and a friend as we study and discern sacred texts of the Sunday readings.
Newcomers welcomed! Ephesus Home is a handicap-accessible facility. Next scheduled Scripture Studies is on March 11 and 25, 2024



PARISH LIFE
The next meeting Wednesday, March 12, 2025. We will discuss plans for 2025. Lets bring our Parish Families, Ministries, School and Friends together in community. Please contact the parish office 219-934-7176 to volunteer.

FEBRUARY 2025 CALENDAR

- Feb. 17 Presidents Day-No School for OLG student
- Feb. 22 School Dance
- Feb. 23 **PARISH BREAKFAST** in Cafeteria 8:30-12 noon
- Feb. 25 K of C Meetings in Cafeteria at 7 pm
- Feb. 19, 20, 26, 27 EPHESUS HOUSE 55+ and Better, Join us for activities and lunch 9am-1pm
- Feb. 26 Outreach meeting PO 7 pm
- March 1, 2** Paczki Donut sale while supply last in church vestibule while supply last. Sponsored by Outreach Ministry



FISH FRY—SAVE THE DATE

Friday, March 14, 2025

OLG PARISH LIFE EVENTS 2025

HOSTED BY PARISH LIFE

TASTE OF OLG	APRIL 26
CHICKEN DINNER	MAY 31
ICE CREAM SOCIAL	JUNE 21
PARISH PICNIC	SEPTEMBER 28
(1-2) FAMILY MOVIE NIGHTS	(dates to be determined)

(Please Note: Dates above may be subject change)

Prayer of God's Blessing

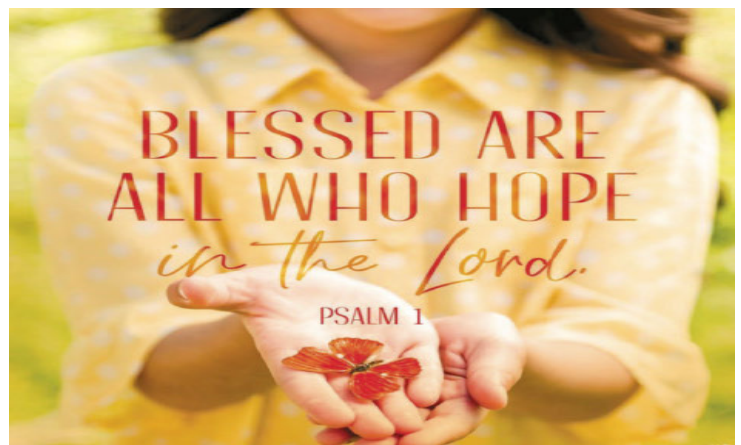
Bless me, Lord, mold my heart in imitation of Yours. Bless me, Lord, help me to see people as You do, and to hear their needs. Bless me, Lord, replace my understanding with Yours. Amen.

Need a Tax Statement?

Please contact Liz in the Parish Office if you would like an end of the year contribution statement.
Call the office 219-934-7176

**Observances for the week of
February 16, 2025**

- Sunday:** 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday:** The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order; Presidents' Day
- Friday:** St. Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
- Saturday:** The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle
- Next Sunday:** 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time



STEWARDSHIP AND PARISH ADMINISTRATION

3-WAYS TO REGISTER AT OUR LADY OF GRACE

If you are not a member and would like to join Our Lady of Grace Parish,

- ◆ Please come to the parish office to register 3005 Condit St., Highland. (BEST WAY)
- ◆ Call the Parish Office (219) 934-7176
- ◆ Registration is also available online in the OLG website. Complete Form & a parish representative will contact you. Website: olgcatholicchurchhighland.org

Office hours are Mon.-Fri., 9 am—5pm

We would like to remind everyone to please visit our parish website. We also have a Facebook page. It is a good resource for weekly bulletins, (past and present), the weekly readings, Mass Intentions, upcoming events, meetings, general parish information, and guidelines.

OUR LADY OF GRACE PASTORAL COUNCIL 2023/2024

Very Reverend Brian Chadwick, Pastor • Deacon Michael W. Halas John Breslin • Vicki Harkenrider • Sharon Aschinger • Jacob Arredondo • Allison Gargas • Larry Peters • Georgia Veneziano • Marcus Glick • Steven Krupa • Phyllis Sedlak • Nellie Dolatowski • Mary VanTil

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Donna in the parish office (219) 934-7173 or Email: olgbusinessmgr@olgcatholicchurchhighland.org if you would like additional information on We Share or to sign up. We appreciate your support. Thank you for your generosity and stewardship.

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KIDS: Chalk and Block: What Every Child Needs to Know About God
 Walking with Jesus: The Rosary Prayers in Song
 Joseph: Beloved Son Rejected Slave
 Catholic Heroes of the Faith

THE 2025 MASS INTENTIONS



- Monday, February 17—Weekday**
 8:30 am † Alan Olson Int. Susan Guimaraes & Carol Gibson
- Tuesday, February 18—Weekday**
 8:30 am † Gayle Wojno Int. Terry Cwiok
- Wednesday, February 19—Weekday**
 8:30 am † Gayle Wojno Int. Carol Rybicki
- Thursday, February 20—Weekday**
 8:30 am † Susan Furman Int. Carol and Girls
- Friday, February 21—Weekday**
 8:30 am † Ed Golumbeck Int. Family
- Saturday, February 22 —The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle**
 8:30 am NO MASS
- Saturday, February 22—Vigil, 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 4:30 pm † In Memory of Deceased Member of Maman and Revak Families Int. M/M Patrick Maman
- Sunday, February 23—7th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 8:00 am † Evelyn Sartini Int. Family
 10:30 am † Juanita Grigson Price Int. Steve and Grencik
 5:30 pm People of Our Lady of Grace

Ministry to the Sick and Homebound

If a parishioner would like the Sacrament of the Sick before going into the hospital or spiritual care while in the hospital, call the Parish Office at (219) 934-7176. The Sacrament of the Sick usually takes place after a weekday or weekend Mass.

Parish Support

Feb. 9, 2025

Adults	\$	7,171.00
Children.....	\$	7.00
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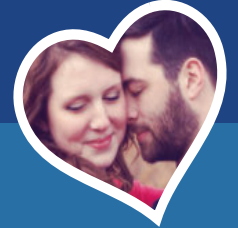


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