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**LENTEN RESOURCES**

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**Stations of the Cross**  
**FRIDAYS DURING LENT @ 7PM**  
12pm in Spanish | 7pm in English

**RECONCILIATION**

"Do not be afraid of Confession"  
-Pope Francis

**SATURDAYS 2/17, 2/24, 3/2, 3/9, 3/16, 3/23**  
9AM-10AM  
1:30PM-2:30PM

**TUESDAYS 2/20, 2/27, 3/5, 3/12, 3/19, 3/26**  
7PM-8PM

**WEDNESDAYS 2/21, 2/28, 3/6, 3/13, 3/20, 3/27**  
12:30PM-1:30PM

**FIRST FRIDAY 3/1**  
8:30AM-9:30AM

**MONDAY THRU FRIDAY 3/18 THRU 3/22**  
7PM to 8:30PM

**MAGNIFY WEDNESDAY 2/28**  
7PM to 8:30PM

**RECONCILIATION SERVICE 3/27**  
7PM to 8:30PM  
Multiple Priests Available

God made a universe that has roughly 2 trillion galaxies.  
Each with 100 - 400 billion stars, and He knows each star by name.

The same God made you.

You matter to God.

**CAN STILL JOIN**

find out what this means at

the **RESCUE**

project



STARTS FEB 15

**THURSDAYS AT 6:30PM**  
FREE CHILDCARE

MEAL EPISODE DISCUSSION

[OLMERCY.COM/THERESCUEPROJECT](http://OLMERCY.COM/THERESCUEPROJECT)



**Fill an Easter Bag for a Child in Need!**

PICK UP A BAG THE WEEKEND OF FEB 17TH & 18TH

Easter Bags will benefit children and families assisted by the Aurora Interfaith Food Pantry!

SUGGESTED ITEMS TO FILL YOUR BAG WITH:

- + PLAY DOUGH
- + STUFFED ANIMALS
- + BALLS
- + PUZZLES
- + COLORING BOOKS
- + BUBBLES
- + CRAYONS
- + JELLY BEANS
- + BOOKS
- + STICKERS
- + KITES
- + SIDEWALK CHALK
- + FLOWER SEEDS



QUESTIONS?  
CONTACT [LYDIAS@OLMERCY.COM](mailto:LYDIAS@OLMERCY.COM)

EASTER BAGS SHOULD BE RETURNED BY THE WEEKEND OF MARCH 9/10 AFTER ANY OF THE MASSES!

**THE WAY OF THE CROSS FOR LOVED ONES WHO HAVE LEFT THE FAITH**  
During Lent 2/19, 2/26, 3/4 & 3/11

**MONDAYS WITH MONICA and AUGUSTINE**  
7:30PM IN THE CHURCH

A PRAYER GROUP FOR FALLEN AWAY LOVED ONES

[olmmwma@gmail.com](mailto:olmmwma@gmail.com)  
[olmercy.com/mwma](http://olmercy.com/mwma)

**OUR LADY of MERCY CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH RENEWAL WEEKEND**

**Men's Weekend Feb 24 - Feb 25**  
glex Grove  
331-330-0257  
[crhpalm@gmail.com](mailto:crhpalm@gmail.com)

**Women's Weekend Mar 2 - Mar 3**

Beatriz Cultura  
630-544-0720  
[crhpalm@gmail.com](mailto:crhpalm@gmail.com)



Register now for this life-changing experience!



Or email us at [CRHPOLM@GMAIL.COM](mailto:CRHPOLM@GMAIL.COM)

**SOULCORE JOIN THE CLASS!**  
BODY MIND SOUL **WEDNESDAYS @ 6:30PM**

Join SoulCore Leaders Jen Bickel, and Lisa Hir to nourish body, mind, and soul with SoulCore — a prayer experience that combines the prayers of the rosary with core strengthening, stretching, and functional movement. No fitness level or experience is required. All are welcome!

**CLASS INFO**

Lenten SoulCore on the Sorrowful Mysteries

**when** Wednesdays @ 6:30PM  
February 21  
March 6 and 13

**where** Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church  
701 S. Esla Road, Aurora  
PLC Parish Life Center

**registration & contact info** [olmercy.com/soulcore](http://olmercy.com/soulcore)

**please** arrive 15 minutes prior to check in  
bring exercise mat and water  
wear comfortable clothing

**no cost to attend** \$10 suggested donation for those who are able

SOULCORE IS A MOVEMENT ALL ITS OWN. IT IS NOT TIED TO OR AFFILIATED WITH ANY OTHER EXERCISE DISCIPLINES. SOULCORE IS NOT YOGA, NOR ARE YOGA POSES OR SANSKRIT REFERENCED AT ANY TIME. SOULCORE IS AN INVITATION TO INTEGRATE BODY & SOUL IN PRAYER, FULLY ORIENTING THE HEART & MIND TOWARD CHRIST, WHILE DISCOVERING THE BEAUTY OF THE ROSARY: A GENTLE PATH TO GROW IN VIRTUE, INTERIOR PEACE & STRENGTH.

The SoulCore logo, an intertwined A&M, signifies "Auspice Maria" latin for "under the protection of Mary." May you always be under her protection!





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**WEDNESDAY  
FEB 28 @ 7PM**

Scriptural Reflection  
Confessions  
Prayer Ministry  
Praise led by Josh Goodman




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VISIT [CATHOLICCHARITIESJOLIET.ORG](http://CATHOLICCHARITIESJOLIET.ORG) FOR MORE INFO  
No identification or information will be required or collected.  
This is open to anyone in-need of food!

Meat, produce, nonperishable items will be given out  
Please clear space in your trunk or backseat  
Drive thru distribution of food

 **catholic charities**  
Diocese of Joliet **MOBILE FOOD PANTRY**  
**4:30pm to 6pm WEDNESDAY 2/21 & MONDAY 3/4**

 **Our Lady of Mercy Church**  
JOIN US FOR A

*Holy Pause*

SOME OF THE ACTIVITIES WILL INCLUDE:

- +A path of creative prayer stations for families to lift up their own needs and the needs of others.
- +A make and take prayer bowl project
- +A small service opportunity

Use the QR Code to Sign Up Before March 5th



SCAN ME

A Lenten Family Reflection Time  
**Saturday, March 9th**  
2:00 - 3:45 PM in the Gym

BRING YOUR ENTIRE FAMILY!

FRIDAY LENTEN  
**FISH DINNERS**

**3/8 & 3/15**  
5:30pm - 8pm

FISH DINNER PLATES & PRICE  
Shrimp \$15  
Cod (Fried) \$15  
Salmon \$15

Fish dinner consists of potatoes, dinner roll, dessert, & beverage (soda or water).

This Fundraiser supports the Teen Mission Trip



Purchase tickets after Mass in PLC Lobby area, at the Parish Office, or online [www.olmercy.com](http://www.olmercy.com)

 **OUR LADY of MERCY CATHOLIC CHURCH**

Individuals with **DisABILITIES**/special needs are invited to join us with their friends and family for a special **DisABILITIES** Mass!

**March 10, 2024 @ 2PM**

Fellowship in the MPR to Follow  
701 S Eola Road, Aurora, IL 60504



We look forward to welcoming you and many others from throughout the Diocese of Joliet and we hope you will join us as we celebrate the blessings of those with **disABILITIES** in our Church family, as well as the wonderful gifts they bring to our parish!



Scan so we can welcome you!

Find out more about the Extraordinary Graces and Gifts of the Divine Mercy devotion.

*Jesus, I Trust In You:  
Discovering Divine Mercy Seminar*



**Tuesday 3/12 @ 9am**

**Wednesday 3/13 @ 7pm**

**PLC in Room 208**

JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU

For more information connect with Bill Troller 630.585.1865 or [trollerw@live.com](mailto:trollerw@live.com)



**EASTER EGG HUNT**

The Knights of Columbus are hosting an Easter Egg Hunt for kids ages 0-10 on Saturday, 3/16, at 10am with the Egg Hunt starting at 10:30am. It will be held in the PLC. Please bring your Easter basket or a bag to hold all the eggs you find. Maybe even the Easter Bunny will stop in for some fun!! We hope to see you there!

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\*There will be a "Sensory Friendly" egg hunt and sensory bins in a separate room with less stimuli and lower lighting\*

 **OUR LADY of MERCY CATHOLIC CHURCH**

*Welcome*  
**MEET & GREET GATHERING**  
**SUNDAY @ 11:15AM ON 3/17**

*For those looking to register as new parishioners  
and  
For newly registered parishioners*



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OUR LADY of MERCY CATHOLIC CHURCH  
**2024 PARISH MISSION**  
 MONDAY 3/18 & TUESDAY 3/19  
 FROM 7PM TO 8:30PM

THE **JOY** OF THE **LORD** IS MY **STRENGTH**

**WITH FR. SEAN GRISMER**

A PARISH MISSION FOR ALL AGES. Blessed with fervor for his faith, a keen sense of humor, and a way with words, Fr. Grismer compels his audiences' attention. He will dive into the great call upon each of our lives; allow the joy of the Lord to be our strength.

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**RECONCILIATION SERVICE**

*Magnify*

**WEDNESDAY  
 MARCH 20**  
 Confessions 7pm to 8:30pm  
 (additional priests available)



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**Lenten Parish Reconciliation Services & Reconciliation Times**

| Parish & Location  | Lenten Reconciliation Services  | Other Reconciliation Times<br><i>*No confessions heard on Holy Saturday</i>  |
|--|---|--|
| <b>Christ the Servant:</b><br>8700 Havens Dr., Woodridge       | Thurs., March 21st,<br>7pm until completed                                      | *Saturdays, 4pm-4:30pm   |
| <b>Divine Savior:</b><br>6700 Main St., Downers Grv.           |   |  |
| <b>Holy Trinity:</b><br>25 E Richmond St., Westmont            | March 20th, 6:30pm  | *Saturdays, 2:30pm-3:45pm. Confessions not heard on Holy Saturday or during the Octave Days. Confessions resume on April 20th.                       |
| <b>Notre Dame:</b><br>64 Norfolk Ave., Clarendon Hills         | Wednesday,<br>March 13, 6-9pm   | Wednesdays, 6pm-7pm;<br>*Saturdays, 4:00pm-4:45pm  |
| <b>Our Lady of Mt. Carmel:</b><br>8404 Cass Ave., Darien       | Thurs. March 14th, 7p   |  |
| <b>Our Lady of Peace:</b><br>701 Plainfield Rd., Darien        | Mon-Fri, Noon-1pm<br>During Lent  | Fridays, 5:30pm-6:30pm;<br>*Saturdays, 8:30am-9:45am   |
| <b>St. Elizabeth Seton:</b><br>2220 Lissou Rd., Naperville     | Tues, March 12th, 7pm   | *Saturdays, 4pm-4:30pm   |
| <b>St. Isaac Jogues:</b><br>306 W. 4th St., Hinsdale           | N/A   | Mondays 5:30pm-until finished; *Saturdays,<br>8:30am-until finished; *Saturdays, 3:30p-4:15p   |
| <b>St. Joan of Arc:</b><br>820 Division St., Lisle             | Thurs. March 14th,<br>7:00pm  | *Saturdays, 9:00am (except March 9th)<br>March 25th, 26th & 27th 9am-10am  |
| <b>St. Joseph:</b> 4824 Highland Ave., Downers Grove           | Wed. March 20th, 7pm<br>Tues. March 26, 4-6pm<br>and 7-9pm                      | *Saturdays, 3:30pm-4:30pm  |
| <b>St. Margaret Mary:</b> 1450 Green Trails Dr., Naperville    | March 18th, 7pm   | Thursdays, 6-7pm after Adoration; (excl. Holy Th)<br>*Saturdays, 3:30pm-4:30pm   |
| <b>St. Mary of Gostyn:</b><br>445 Prairie Ave., Downers Grove  | Tues March 26th<br>6:30pm-8:00pm  | *Saturdays, 8:30am-9:30am; Holy Hour of Adoration with Reconciliation Tuesdays, Feb 27th and March 12th 7:00pm-8:00pm                                |
| <b>Ss. Peter &amp; Paul:</b><br>36 N Ellsworth St., Naperville | HOLY WEEK: 3/23 2-5p;<br>3/24 5-7p;<br>3/25 10a-12Noon;<br>3/26 3-5p; 3/27 6-8p | Mondays, 4:15-5:15pm; Thursdays, 11am-Noon;<br>*Saturdays, 3pm-5pm;<br>30 min prior to each Sunday morning Mass on:<br>2/18, 2/25, 3/3, 3/10 & 3/17. |
| <b>St. Raphael:</b><br>1215 Modaff Rd., Naperville             | Tues March 12th 7pm   | Fridays at 3pm until all are heard;<br>*Saturdays after 8:30am Mass  |
| <b>St. Scholastica:</b><br>7800 Janes Ave., Woodridge          | Mon, March 11, 7pm  | *Saturdays, 3:30pm-4:15pm  |
| <b>St. Thomas the Apostle:</b> 1500 Brookdale Rd., Naperville  | Wed. March 13th 7pm   | *Saturdays, 3:30pm-4:15pm  |

*Come out and weave palms to help us decorate our church for Palm Sunday and Holy Week!*

**Palm Weaving WORKSHOP**

**Monday 3/18**  
7pm - 9:30pm  
in Room 114

**Wednesday 3/20**  
9am - 11:30am  
in Room 114

**Thursday 3/21**  
7pm - 9:30pm  
in Room 114

**St. Vincent de Paul Clothing Drive**

**in good or bad condition**



**March 23 & 24**

**please donate**

- clothing
- shoes
- linens
- books
- dishes
- glassware
- utensils
- toasters
- blenders
- coffee-makers
- ALL BABY CLOTHES ACCEPTED
- SMALL housewares & electronics

**sign up FOR Eucharistic Adoration**  
**MONDAY THRU FRIDAY 8:30AM TO 10PM**



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[bit.ly/adoreJesusatOLM](http://bit.ly/adoreJesusatOLM)

Dive deeper into prayer this Lent with Hallow

**Hallow**

"I have prayed for a guide during Lent and I have found it! Thank you Hallow!"

Family Content & Kids Challenge: Play as a family with weekly Mass Prayers and guide your little ones through the season with our kids challenges.

Bible Stories & Sleep Content: Close your day with Christ with an Examen, Night Prayer, or a Rosary with guests like Bishop Barron, Mark Wahlberg, and Jonathan Van Ness.

Get it on Google Play / Download on the App Store

**SATURDAYS 7AM - 8AM**  
**WEDNESDAYS 5:30AM**



**FIT SHEPHERDS**  
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**FORMING SHEPHERDS ONE WORKOUT AT A TIME**

**HOLY WEEK**

Palm Sunday March 24  
Holy Thursday March 28  
Good Friday March 29  
Holy Saturday March 30  
Easter Vigil March 30  
Easter Sunday March 31

**SCHEDULE COMES OUT NEXT WEEK**

JOURNEY WITH US