

Our Lady of the Ridge - St. Linus Parish

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 15, 2026



Worship Sites

Our Lady of the Ridge
10836 S. Oxford Avenue
Chicago Ridge, IL 60415

Saint Linus
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Oak Lawn, IL 60453

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Our Lady of the Ridge-St. Linus Parish is on a journey to know, love and serve Christ in our parish community. Together we must embrace Christ's vision for missionary discipleship so our parish can thrive and be a place for others to grow together in faith.

The very first step in this process involves **assessing our greatest strengths and opportunities**, and that is where the **Disciple Maker Index (DMI)** comes in! The DMI is an important survey tool that invites you to reflect on your discipleship journey here at Our Lady of the Ridge-St. Linus Parish. The Disciple Maker Index is designed to:

- Invite parishioners to reflect on their own journey of discipleship.
- Enable parish leadership to make data-driven decisions.
- Help parishioners grow in their faith.

The 10-15 minute survey can be accessed through an online link from **February 18th through March 29th** and will ask you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and enable you to provide your perspective on our parish's efforts to help you grow in relationship with Christ. All responses will be confidential, and the parish will only receive information about the community as a whole. Please use this link to access the survey from February 18th to March 29th:

<https://portal.catholicleaders.org/dmi/survey/p4ac98>

Paper copies of the survey will be available in the vestibule/gathering space at each worship site, and in the St. Linus rectory. Paper surveys need to be returned to the St. Linus rectory by March 31st.

Together we must embrace Christ's vision for missionary discipleship so our parish can thrive and be a place for others to grow together in faith.

Please continue to pray for this intention and for the growth and protection of our parish.

St. Linus Booster Raffle
November Winners

\$500 Carroll Family
\$200 Christina Crisanti
\$100 Brian Kennedy
\$100 Donna Jones
\$100 Kristen Herman

St. Linus Booster Raffle
December Winners

\$500 Melissa Kelly
\$200 Matt O'Grady
\$100 Julia Pinc
\$100 Rocco Casamassimo
\$100 Lori Harrington

Mass Schedule for February 14—22, 2026

At STL: Saturday 4:00PM; Sunday 7:30AM, 10:30AM;

M - F 6:00AM Comm. Service, 7:30AM Mass

At OLOR: Sunday 9:00AM; Monday 8:30AM Mass;

Wednesday & Friday 8:30AM Communion Service

Saturday, February 14, 2026 Vigil Mass

4:00PM Jane Swiatek, Patricia Senne, Stephen Krupa,
Anthony Santoro, Andy Washack

Sunday, February 15, 2026 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30AM Isabel Ulanowski, Jovito Lira, Tim Foley,
Noreen Nierney
9:00AM James Houston, Julius Ivancsits, Roseann Melody,
Bill Devane, 24th anny.
10:30AM Glen Rylko, Mary Ann Novak, William Martin,
Lee Ellen Schumacher

Monday, February 16, 2026 Weekday (Presidents' Day)

7:30AM Mike Hickey, Sebastian Diaz
8:30AM John Evans

Tuesday, February 17, 2026 The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

7:30AM Fe Juachon, Jennie Cascone

Wednesday, February 18, 2026 ASH WEDNESDAY

6:00AM Prayer Service w/ ashes (STL)
7:30AM Mass w/ashes (STL) Leonardo De la Vega,
Michael Ficaro
8:30AM Prayer Service w/ashes (OLOR)
9:45AM School Prayer Service w/ashes (STL)
4:30PM Prayer Service w/ashes (STL)
6:30PM Prayer Service w/ashes (STL)

Thursday, February 19, 2026 Weekday

7:30AM Garrabrant Family, Dave Conlig

Friday, February 20, 2026 Weekday

7:30AM John Nally, Barb & Chuck March, Wed. Anny.
8:30AM Communion Service

Saturday, February 21, 2026 Vigil Mass

4:00PM Dennis T. Hughes, Michael Elsen, Maribeth Nagy,
Deceased Members of the McGrath Family

Sunday, February 22, 2026 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30AM Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Bozinovich, Edward J. Joyce,
Spl. Int. Mary T. Murphy
9:00AM Dorothy Doyle, Michael & Marion Maher,
Ray & Lou Ann Jarolimek, Dorothy Kerestes
10:30AM Monica Venkus, Mary Ann Novak, Billy Nelis,
Daniel Distel

PLEASE NOTE: Parish Rectory office at St. Linus will be **CLOSED** on **Monday, February 16th** for Presidents' Day.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society LOVE IN OUR WORK

Food Pantry ~ 708-289-0406
Financial Assistance ~ 708-289-4180

We will once again be making Easter baskets for The Port ministry and other children in need. We are asking for the following supplies: **wrapped candy, Easter baskets, and basket bags**. Please bring your donations to the gathering space at Our Lady of the Ridge Church or to the St. Linus rectory during regular business hours by **March 1st**. God bless you for your thoughtfulness and generosity.



We pray for members of our parish family who are homebound, or in hospitals, nursing homes, rehab centers and hospice. We also pray for their caregivers. This list will be frequently revised. We remember especially:

Bill Lisowski, John Wickman, Mariceleste Ryan,
Marita Peffley, Debbie Hindelewicz, Matt O'Connell



If during Lent you need a quiet space for reflection, come to Adoration for the peace only Christ can give.

Jesus, Light of the World Adoration Chapel

Monday - Friday 8AM - 4PM at St. Linus
Friday, 5PM - 7PM at Our Lady of the Ridge Church

Lenten Services:

During Lent, **Stations of the Cross** will be at **6:30PM on Fridays at St. Linus Church**. **School Stations of the Cross will be at 2:00PM on Fridays** (when school is in session). Stations begin February 20th.



6:00AM Prayer Service (STL)
7:30AM Mass (STL)
8:30AM Prayer Service (OLOR)
9:45AM School Prayer Service (STL)
4:30 Prayer Service (STL)
6:30PM Prayer Service (STL)

Ashes will be distributed at Mass
and all Prayer Services

Through the waters of Baptism,
we welcome to the Body of Christ:



Maeve Mary O'Shea
Aria Marie Dorich
Gloria Dababneh

BORN INTO ETERNAL LIFE

James R. Hicks
Kathryn E. Soraghan
Bernadette McDermott



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OAK LAWN**

**for a St. Linus Eat and Earn on
Tuesday 2/17, 11 am - 10 pm**

Mention the fundraiser when you order dine in,
carry out, or delivery and 10% of net sales will be
donated back to St. Linus School.

Little Black Books for Lent and CRS Rice Bowls
will be available this weekend in the vestibule at St.
Linus Church and the gathering space at Our Lady
of the Ridge Church. Please take one to enhance
your Lenten journey.

CALL FOR VENDORS

**ST. LINUS CHURCH
CARDIFF CENTER**
10331 LINUS LN.
OAK LAWN, IL 60453

**SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2026
10:00AM-4:00PM**

PLEASE CONTACT DANA BRAVO AT
BIRDHOUSEARTSANDCRAFTS@GMAIL.COM OR
TEXT/CALL 708-362-1250 IF YOU ARE
INTERESTED IN BEING A VENDOR.

Neighborhood News...

To Breathe Again: A Lenten Journey for Women:
Friday, February 20 to Sunday, February 22; Car-
melite Spiritual Center, Darien, IL; Flexible participa-
tion—full weekend, daily commuter, or Saturday
through Sunday closing Mass; To register contact:
Maryellen@midwestaugustinians.org. Limited
scholarships are available.

Parish Support

TOTAL PARISH COLLECTION
Sunday, February 8, 2026

Envelopes/Loose:	\$16,639.42
E-Giving:	\$not available
Total:	\$16,639.42

Thank you for your continued financial support.

Catholics in good health ages 18 to 59 are required to fast and
to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Fasting consists of eating only one meal, with the possibility
of two smaller snacks that do not add up to a single full meal.

Catholics age 14 and older are to abstain from meat on all
Fridays in Lent.

THE LADIES GUILD
Galentine's Get Together
**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20
AT 7:00**

Please join the Ladies Guild in the Cardiff Center for
desserts and great conversation. Bring your own
beverage and enjoy an evening of laughter with the
ladies of the community.

We're excited to host a special pop-up by The Candle
Vault, featuring a custom candle-making experience.
Guests may pour their own custom candle for \$30
(payment collected by the vendor for those who choose
to participate).
Candle making is optional

To help us plan accordingly, we kindly ask that you
register for the event. Please use the QR code to
complete your registration and pay the \$5 entrance fee

From Fr. Mark's Desk:

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time: "Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets. I have come not to abolish but to fulfill."

From the Book of Genesis: "When they (Adam and Eve) heard the sound of the Lord God moving about in the garden at the breezy time of the day, the man and his wife hid themselves from the Lord God among the trees of the garden. The Lord God then called to the man and asked him, 'Where are you?' He answered, 'I heard you in the garden, but I was afraid, because I was naked, so I hid myself.'" Then he asked, 'Who told you that you were naked?'"

From the beginning of human creation, God had a plan for our relationship with him. That relationship was intended to be ideal when surrounded by the 'cloak' of God's love. When in the garden, that 'cloak' was removed by the first people, they became lost from God, (Where are you?), and 'naked' because they had removed God's cloak of love. The law of God was never intended to be punitive or restrictive. God's law was intended to set in place the boundaries of a fulfilled life in God. Jesus entering time and space is God's desire to replace the cloak of selfishness and sin with the cloak of God's endless love.

The season of Lent becomes an opportunity for us to imagine our lives as God intended before sin became a part of our life.

"These days, I think about the end of life more often than I did back in the day. I can't imagine a sadder way to die than to realize, as you draw your last breath, that you never showed up in this world as yourself, that you spent all those years on this planet hiding out, afraid of who you are, failing to offer the world the most important gift you were born to give, the gift of yourself...The quest of true self, rightly understood, is a journey into relationship, not self-centeredness." (Parker Palmer, Let Your Life Speak)

Allow this Lenten season to be a time for you to recognize your life as God intends it and allow Jesus to fulfill his love in you.

Have a great week!

Fr. Mark Walter

Cardinal Blase Cupich
Archbishop of Chicago

Most Reverend Robert M. Fedek
Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago

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www.stlinusoaklawn.org/ReligiousEducation

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Office Hours: Monday thru Thursday: 9:00AM—4:00PM
Friday: 9:00AM—3:00PM
Weekend: CLOSED

PARISH STAFF:

PASTOR: Rev. Mark Walter
CHAPLAIN: Rev. Wissam Mansour

Our Lady of the Holy Land Community
SCHOOL PRINCIPAL: Margaret Hayes
SCHOOL SECRETARY: Linda Delisi
RE ADMINISTRATOR: Nora Hunt
PERMANENT DEACON: Edwin Hill
PERMANENT DEACON: John Orzechowski
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MAINTENANCE OFFICE: Kevin Mulrenin
MAINTENANCE OFFICE: Frank McGuire

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

SUNDAY SCHEDULE: (at St. Linus): Saturday, 4:00 PM;
Sunday, 7:30 AM and 10:30 AM
(at Our Lady of the Ridge): Sunday, 9:00 AM
(Our Lady of the Holy Land at OLOR): Sunday, 12:00PM
MONDAY-FRIDAY: 6:00 AM Communion Service (STL)
MONDAY-FRIDAY: 7:30 AM Mass (STL)
MONDAY: 8:30 AM Mass (OLOR)
WED. & FRI.: 8:30 AM Communion Service (OLOR)
HOLY DAYS: See the bulletin for Mass schedule.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: (Confession)
Saturday 12:00 to 1:00 PM in Saint Linus Church or by appointment.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:
Monday-Friday, 8 AM to 4 PM in Jesus, Light of the World
Adoration Chapel at St. Linus (enter from parking lot)
Friday evening from 5-7 PM in Our Lady of the Ridge Church

MARIAN DEVOTIONS: The Rosary
Each weekday after the 7:30 AM Mass at STL.
Each M-W-F at 7:45 AM before services at OLOR.

BAPTISM: Sunday
Our Lady of the Ridge after 9:00 AM Mass;
St. Linus at 1:30 PM;
One-hour Baptismal preparation class required for first child only.

MARRIAGE:
Please contact Fr. Mark to arrange the date and time of your marriage celebration at least four months prior to the date.

SPRED: (SPecial RELigious Development)
Ministry to developmentally disabled children and adults.
Tuesday evening from 6:30-8:00 PM at OLOR in the FFC.

SEEKING WISDOM PRAYER GROUP:
Reading a book and discussing it via ZOOM.

AA MEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP:
Saturday morning at 10:00 AM in the FFC at OLOR
Sunday evening at 7:00 PM in the Cardiff Center at STL.
NA GROUP:
Monday evening at 7:00 PM in the FFC at OLOR.

NEW PARISHIONERS:
New parishioners are welcome to register at the St. Linus rectory as soon as possible.

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