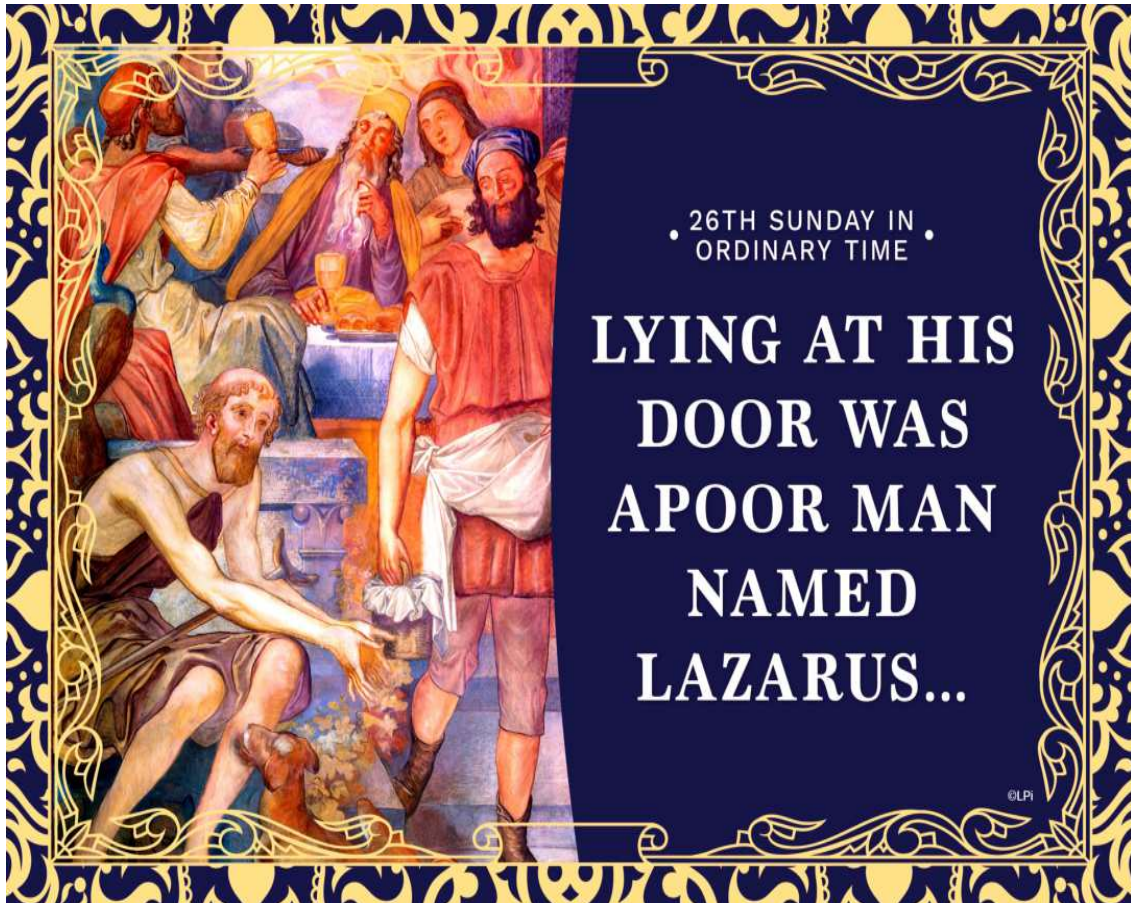


Our Lady of the Ridge - St. Linus Parish

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 28, 2025



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From Fr. Mark's Desk:

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time: *"My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented"*.

Last weekend, the St. Linus School class of 1975 came to 4pm Mass and went on a memory tour of the school. As they walked through the building, stories were recalled and shared. Memories and people recognized are vital to our human experience. I too, graduated grammar school in 1975. While I did not return to the school for a 50-year visit, I did recall the teachers and students that I experienced. The more we reflect on what we have been given, the more likely we are to be appreciative and the more likely we are to notice others.

In the parable of the rich man and Lazarus, there is a great divide. In this world the rich man is incapable of recognizing or understanding the needs of the beggar at his door. In the next world, the rich man is incapable of recognizing his now inability to be served and thus is in torment.

Lazarus however is capable of recognizing God as his protector, God as his savior. Lazarus knew he was not forgotten by God. What the rich man could not see, God could. Thus, looking at life through God's eyes is at the center of discipleship.

A few years ago, there was an exhibition on homelessness in Belfast. Each panel was a depiction of some dimension of poverty and homelessness. Each panel also had a brief written description. A few of those descriptions follow:

~Food for the body is not enough. There must be food for the soul.

~The greatest challenge of the day is: how to bring about a revolution of the heart, a revolution which must start with each of us.

~I really only love God as much as I love the person I love the least.

~We must talk about poverty, because people insulated by their own comfort lose sight of it.

Remember to notice the forgotten, God does not forget his people.

Have a great week!

Fr. Mark Walter

Mass Schedule for Sept. 27—Oct. 5, 2025

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, September 27, 2025 Vigil Mass

4:00PM Robert Sobczak, Eugene Shipanik, Tony Errico,
Karen McDonnell Praska, 17th anny.

Sunday, September 28, 2025 Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30AM Marc Medel, Susan Manteufel, Robert MacQuillan,
Spl. Int. John Foley
9:00AM Celia & Joseph Drozd, Mike Witt, Sr., J. J. Morones
Spl Int. St. Vincent de Paul Volunteers
10:30AM Joshua P. Gunther, Robert Pastore, Sue Nash,
William Martin

Monday, September 29, 2025 Sts. Michael, Gabriel, And Raphael, Archangels

7:30AM Lorraine Sharko, Winnie Mahoney Breier,
Spl. Int. Maribeth Nagy
8:30AM Robert Priest, Roger Niznik

Tuesday, September 30, 2025 St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church

7:30AM Walter Swiatek, Norman Reno, Tom O'Connell

Wednesday, October 1, 2025 St. Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

7:30AM People of the Parish, Florence Pyzik
8:30AM Communion Service

Thursday, October 2, 2025 The Holy Guardian Angels

7:30AM Norman B. Reno, Nancy Fitzpatrick

Friday, October 3, 2025 Weekday

7:30AM Ambrocio & Candida Jonson, Efren Chavez,
Raymond Marszalek, Christine Pyzik, 1st anny.
8:30AM Communion Service

Saturday, October 4, 2025 Vigil Mass

4:00PM Pauline Boyle, Fred Campobasso, Tony Errico,
Mary Ann Hurley

Sunday, October 5, 2025 Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30AM Peter & Mary Cunningham, Kevin Meany,
Christopher Bodinet,
Spl. Int. St. Vincent de Paul Benefactors
9:00AM Michael Maher, Peter J. Dilger, Bill Conway,
Bishop Kevin Birmingham
10:30AM Sister M. Alacoque RSM, Therese Brennan,
Elizabeth Deely, James 'Ralph' McNally

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BUNDLE DAYS @ ST. LINUS NORTH PARKING LOT
Saturday, 9/ 27, 10AM-5PM; Sunday, 9/28, 8AM-1PM

Nonperishable Food Collection October 4/5

Items we can use each month are:

Peanut butter and jelly; **Canned Foods:** vegetables, fruits, meats, soups, pasta sauce, canned pasta, tuna and chicken; **Boxed Items:** macaroni and cheese, pasta, rice, mashed potatoes; **Cereals:** hot and cold; **Household Items:** toilet paper, tissues, paper towels, napkins, baggies, foil; **Personal Hygiene Products:** soap, deodorant; **Cleaning Supplies:** laundry detergent, sponges, Windex, Pledge; **Aldi Gift Cards:** to purchase eggs, cheese, butter, bread, milk and meat ~ Gift cards can be placed in the SVdP Poor Box or brought to the rectory. Please do not bring food donations until the weekend of October 4/5.



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:

Frank McGuire, Catherine Ralson, Cathleen Hoffman,
Marita Peffley, Maribeth Nagy, Josephine Cordell



Our faith directs the pattern of our lives, leading us to our God and love of neighbor. We express our faith in His Real Presence by making Adoration a priority.

Jesus, Light of the World Adoration Chapel
Monday - Friday 8AM - 4PM at St. Linus

Friday, 5PM - 7PM at Our Lady of the Ridge Church



BLESSING OF PETS
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4TH
ST. LINUS PARKING LOT ~ 1:00 PM

Heartstrings

The perinatal bereavement group will **NOT** meet on Monday, October 13th due to the holiday.



Marriage Banns

*II—Andrea Horn and
James Dunican*

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



Garrett Don Hinkle
Michael Patrick Strubin

BORN INTO ETERNAL LIFE

Jamileh Akkawi
Marge Hasse
William Peter Conway
Brother Ken Chapman
Martin Aguilar
James F. Kielty
Ed Nykaza


Religious Education News
REGISTRATION FOR THE 2025-2026 YEAR
IS NOW CLOSED

**LIFE CHAIN ~
RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5TH**

Stand with us next Sunday as we prayerfully let our neighbors know that abortion hurts women, too. **Please join Our Lady of the Ridge-St. Linus parishioners** as we attend this life-saving event on **159th Street between Harlem and 80th Avenue** in front of Wendy's, 7360 W. 159th St., east of Harbor Freight on the north side of 159th St. Please plan to arrive at 2:00pm to get your sign and find your spot.

Please help our Service Men and Women
Please bring your donations to Mass. There will be a collection box in the back of both churches **from 9/8/25 to 11/9/25**. Suggested items: Health/hygiene; card decks; puzzle/crossword/sudoku books. Go to stlinusoaklawn.org for the complete list. Thank you for your generosity!

Girls' Night Out ~ Join us for BUNCO!!


 All ladies are invited ~ Bring a friend!
 Join us on **Friday, October 10th** in the
Cardiff Center, 10331 Linus Lane
Doors open @ 5:30pm ~ Games begin at 6pm
Play Bunco followed by LRC (left-right-center)
\$5.00 for Bunco ~ \$3.00 for LRC
 Bring a sweet or savory snack to share;
 Bring whatever you want to drink;
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Neighborhood News...

St. Rita of Cascia Novena: Thursday, October 2nd at 7:00PM; 7740 S. Western Ave., Chicago; Confession at 6:00PM; Secure and ample parking.

FREE Adult Hearing Screening: Friday, Oct. 3rd;
9 a.m.-Noon; Ludden Speech Clinic, 3700 W. 103rd
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Paint the Town Pink: Saturday, October 11th, 8AM-12PM; Christ Medical Center Auditorium, F2; Mammogram scheduling available on site.

Queen of the Americas Guild Conference: *October 17 & 18*, Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, La Crosse, WI; For info QueenoftheAmericasGuild.org.

Parish Support

TOTAL PARISH COLLECTION
Sunday, September 14, 2025

Envelopes/Loose:	\$13,576.00
E-Giving:	<u>\$ 2,098.00</u>
Total:	\$15,674.00

TOTAL PARISH COLLECTION
Sunday, September 21, 2025

Envelopes/Loose:	\$15,088.00
E-Giving:	<u>\$ 2,343.00</u>
Total:	\$17,431.00

Thank you for your continued financial support.

First Friday Experience

October 3rd ~ 7:30-9:00 pm
Our Lady of the Ridge Courtyard
See stlinusoaklawn.org for more info



THANK YOU, BARB!

Our parish faith community bids a fond and most thankful farewell to Barb Zickterman. For the last seven years, Barb was the Religious Education (RE) Coordinator for Our Lady of the Ridge and then for Our Lady of the Ridge-St. Linus Parish. Prior to becoming the RE Coordinator, Barb was a devoted RE catechist for twenty-five years. In addition to RE, Barb served on the OLOR School Board, Market Day, Manna, PADS Overnight Shelter, Head Usher, and the list goes on. Barb still remains active today as a Lector and Eucharistic Minister. In late August, a reception celebrating Barb's farewell was held with our current RE Catechists, Margaret Hayes, Nora Hunt, Kim Geissler and Bob Clark. **THANKS AGAIN BARB!**



PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY



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GENERATION TO GENERATION CAMPAIGN UPDATE!

We recently announced the Generation to Generation campaign at our parish.

Thank you to those who have made early commitments to the Generation to Generation campaign at Our Lady of the Ridge St. Linus Parish. We are proud to share that our campaign has raised **\$531,000*** from 38 families, allowing us to reach **35.4%** of our **\$1,500,000** goal! *9/22/25 8:00 am

Our share of the funds will help us to prepare for the future by:

- Renovating entrances at both churches, to make them more handicap and elder accessible.
- Preparing for upcoming maintenance needs; adding AC to the school gym, boiler maintenance, roof repairs, resurfacing the parking lots, and other needs as they arise.



If you have any questions regarding the campaign, please reach out to Fr. Mark or the parish office.

To learn more or to get involved, please speak to our campaign director, Griffin, by calling (773) 234-6174 or emailing at gburris@archchicago.org

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www.stlinusoaklawn.org/ReligiousEducation

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
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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
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:
Will not meet during the summer.

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.

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