

# OUR LADY OF AFRICA PARISH

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TWENTY-EIGHT SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - OCTOBER 9, 2022



**Served by: The Society of the Divine Word...** Popularly known as the Divine Word Missionaries  
**Pastor: Fr. Bob Kelly, SVD, Associate Pastor: Fr. Carl Gales, SVD, Brother Alu Aisi, SVD,**  
**Deacon Manie Manuel, SVD, Frater Zachary Smith, SVD**  
**Senior Deacon Mervin Johnson, Deacon Ivan Lazcano, Deacon Michael Foggie**  
**Fr. Tracy O'Sullivan, O.Carm., Fr. Mark Weber, SVD, Weekend Assistants**

## Welcome to Our Lady of Africa Parish.

We are Blessed with your presence here today. We have been walking with Jesus on the Road to Emmaus. All of us are missionary disciples walking with Jesus telling the story to him about what happened in Jerusalem. It is in the Gospel of Luke 24: 13-35. And, as they told the story, they were unable to recognize Jesus. When they invited Jesus to share a meal with them, they recognized him in *"the breaking of the bread."* Let us recognize Jesus in one another as we gather to celebrate Mass at Our Lady of Africa today and every Sunday. The Eucharist is the *"summit and source of our lives as Christians."* (Vatican II)

### Office Hours

Monday to Friday: 9:00 AM-3:30 PM

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**Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM**

Our Lady of Africa Parish,

615 E. Oakwood Blvd, 60653

**Sunday Mass: 9:00AM and 11:30AM**

Facebook Livestream 11:30 AM Mass

and YouTube after 6:00 PM at:

***Our Lady of Africa Chicago***

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### Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday 3:00PM -- 3:30PM

**Holy Days: 10:30 AM: TBD**

### French Community Mass: 6:00PM

First Sunday of Month

Fr. Joseph Mukuna, SCJ

### Ghanaian Community Mass: 1:30PM

First and Second Sunday of Month

Fr. David Ahiahornu

### Igbo Community Mass: 2:30 PM

Third and Fourth Sunday of Month

Fr. Stan Chu Ilo

### Weekly Bible Study:

**Wednesday at 11AM (See  
Parish Events for Dates)**

Fr. Clements/Fr. Smith Parish

Hall with

Fr. Tracy O'Sullivan, O.Carm

### Bible Study

Tuesday at 6-7 PM

Use Conference Call & Code

### Food Pantry

Every Thursday at

4058 S. Michigan Ave, and every

Fourth Saturday of month at

44 E. 41st. Hours for both are:

10:00 AM until 12:00 noon.



**Our Lady of Africa**  
**WE ARE ONE**  
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## Message from our Pastor...



**Dear Parishioners,**

On Sunday, October 16, 2022, we will Install our Medical Ministers and our Bereavement Ministers at the 11:30 am Mass.

On Sunday, October 30, we will Install our Readers and Eucharistic Ministers who have completed their training at the 11:30 am Mass.

A big “thank you” to All who Volunteered and Served last Sunday at the Deaconate Ordination last Sunday. This includes everyone from the Greeters and Ushers to those who Served the Food, members of the Special Events Committee and members of the Blessed Sacrament Society, and anyone who volunteered in any way.

Another big “thank you” to our Parish Choir who lifted us up in prayer and song and helped to make the Ordination Mass a wonderful and uplifting celebration.

**Fr. Bob Kelly, SVD**



## Message from our Associate Pastor...



### Why do Catholics obey the Pope?

This is the 9th of the Top Ten Questions that people have for Catholics. While I wouldn't say that every Catholic “obeys” the Pope, Catholics do believe in Apostolic Succession. This means that we believe that the Faith has been handed on and passed down from the Apostles through the succession of bishops. The Pope has the primary position of being the Bishop of Rome. Since St. Peter died in Rome, Catholics hold that the succeeding bishops of Rome have the authority of carrying the Tradition and Faith of the Catholic Church. Scholars cannot say for certain that this line of bishops is an unbroken chain (e.g. it is not true that there is an unbroken line from St. Peter to the Pope Francis), scholars do say that historically the Bishops of Rome were agreed to be the unifying leader of the Church. And, to be clear, there were Bishops of Antioch, Carthage, Jerusalem, Alexandria, etc. However, it was generally agreed among the college of bishops that the authority of leadership remained with the Chair of Peter.

So the Pope is a sign of the authority that Jesus declared to Peter; “Thou art Peter, and upon this Rock I will build my church and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.” (Matthew 16:18)

**Yours faithfully in the Divine Word,  
Father Carl**





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or

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**Website for Our Lady of Africa**



Father Tracy's Blog  
Praying Alone Together

**Please remember the following in your  
prayers for healing:**

Alice Thompson  
Dorothy Williams  
Evelyn Williams  
Arthur Brooks

**Mass Intention & Repose Souls**

**+Danielle Wiley**



**October 9 – Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary  
Time**

**A Vocation View:**

Gratitude leads to praise. For what are you  
thankful? Share your gratitude.

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**Breast Cancer Awareness**

**Month**

Breast Cancer is  
most found in  
women who are 50  
years old or older.

About 281,550 new cases  
of invasive breast cancer  
will be diagnosed in  
women.

The average risk of a  
woman in the United  
States developing breast  
cancer sometime in her  
life is about 13%.

At this time there are more than  
3.8 million breast cancer  
survivors in the United States.  
This includes women still being  
treated and those who have  
completed treatment.

Breast cancer is the second  
leading cause of cancer death in  
women. The chance that a  
woman will die from breast  
cancer is about 1 in 39.

Some risk factors for breast cancer are  
not being physically active, obesity,  
menopause, taking hormones,  
reproductive history, and drinking  
alcohol.

Anthony Portillo

**October Birthdays**

*Happy  
Birthday*

**Funeral Service:**

Funeral Services for Ms. Danielle Wiley will be Saturday,  
October 15th at OLOA 10:00AM - 11:AM Visitation and  
Funeral Mass: 11:AM - 12:00Noon

**Parish Up Comng Events**

- 10/05 - Bible Study - 11:00AM Parish Hall
- 10/09 - Catholic Order of Forester Installation—9:00AM
- 10/12 - No Bible Study
- 10/14 - The Spectacular Show (See Flyer)



## The Prayer of Our Lady of Africa

**Our Lady of Africa,**  
mother of the human family,  
Be mindful of your African children,  
at home or dispersed on other continents.

**You who are full of grace,**  
look upon all those who do not know Jesus, the Son  
sent by the Father. May his light draw them and  
make them receptive to the gift of Faith.

**You, who are one with Christ**  
In suffering and in glory,  
Be mindful of those assailed by trials,  
That they may discover  
His liberating Passover, and live by it in hope.

**You who turned to Jesus**  
When the wine of joy ran out  
Be mindful of peoples in distress,  
That justice and peace may prevail  
In a united world where Charity reigns.

**You who, in the midst of the Apostles,**  
Received the breath of the Spirit  
Be mindful of the apostles of today.  
May they announce the Word with assurance  
And proclaim it by their lives.  
May young people hear the call of Christ  
And follow him with joy.

**Our Lady of Africa, Queen of the universe,**  
Be mindful of humanity on the way.  
May Christ your Son, gather all peoples  
In the unity of his Spirit  
To the glory of the Father  
For ages to come.

**Amen.**



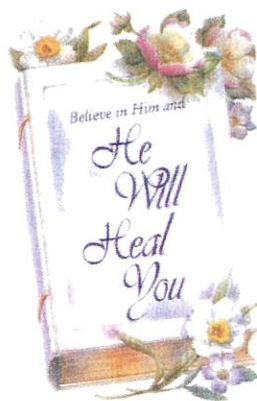
## Sick & Shut-in



Ophelia Adams  
Curtis Albright  
Dorla Allen  
Patrice Anderson  
Jessie Andrews  
James Barker  
Donald Barner  
Louise Bates  
Myra Baugh  
David Berry  
Mary Berry  
Helen Brooms  
Christine Brown  
Barbara McGee-Berry  
Arthur Brooks  
Patricia Brown  
Roscoe Burns  
Michael Burt  
Dean Brazier  
James Brazier  
Marilyn Campbell  
Esperanza Carr  
Russell Carter  
Lillian Cherry  
Michael A. Clark  
Lydia Clark  
Willie B. Clay  
Catherine Crosby  
Mary Crawford  
Sr. Eleanor Doidge  
Cecelia Douglas  
Judith Easter  
Elsie Freeman  
Wanda Finney  
Ola Mae Forde  
Nazaree Fuller  
Tyrone Fuller  
Rosemary Gardner  
Frederick Gibson  
Florence Glenn  
Andre D. Golden  
Mable Gray  
Bettie Green  
Eleanor Griffin  
Barbara Golden  
Anna Marie Hampton  
Exie Haralson  
Catherine Harper  
Marjorie Heard

Lorraine Henderson  
Justin Henderson  
Jim Henkel  
Kelly Robin Hill  
Velma Hill  
Hugh Hodges  
Rita Holland  
Sandra Houston  
Doris Humphries  
Nolan Humphries  
George James  
Janet James  
Leslie Jackson  
Mildred Jackson  
Majorbelle James  
Therese Jessie  
Cindy Jirsa  
Annette Lee  
Susan Larry  
McKeever  
Denise Lawson  
Gloria Leonard  
Lugenia Lewis  
Jan Johnson  
Pamela Jones  
Betty Lumpkins  
Lenda Mason  
Gail McGruder  
McShan Family  
Bernadine McNeal  
Anastacia Mebane  
Judy Michaelis  
Deborah Mitchell  
Argentry Mitchell  
Geraldine Moore  
Jeff Moore  
Michael Moore  
Maria Jossey Owen  
Gregory Papesch  
Minnette Penman  
Allen Peoples  
Sr. Jamie Phelps, O.P.  
Marionette Phelps  
Jean Porter  
Louise Ray  
Clara Reisner  
Tyna Rule  
Phyllis Shackelford  
Alfrances Sharpe

Beverly Sims  
Shirley Simmons  
Emma Stewart  
Margaret Stewart  
Alonzo Studstill  
Janice Taylor  
Alice Thompson  
Cynthia Thompson  
Renee Trotter  
Audrey Tuggle  
Joanne Wallace  
Joyce Wallace  
Tandra Watson  
Rachel Watson  
Doris Whitaker  
Eryn Whitaker  
Rita White  
Yvonne Whitenier  
Arlene G. Williams  
Dorothy Williams  
Evelyn Williams  
Naiya Williams  
Michael Williams  
Patricia Williams  
Sheila Williams  
Euphrasia Mutinda  
Sunnette Varnado  
Smith



Take a moment to remember our sick & shut-in  
members by calling and keeping them in your  
prayers.

**Please notify the office when a name needs to  
be added or removed from the Prayer List.**

**Thank you.**



**To my Parish Family, Thank You so much for attending my ordination. It was a Spirit Filled and Joyous Time. Thank You also for your support, generosity and kindness. Know that you are in my thoughts and prayers. May God Bless You All.**



**Manie Manuel SVD**

## **Fall Tuna Patties**

**By Manie Manuel SVD**

### **Ingredients**

- 2 eggs
- 2 teaspoons lemon juice
- 10 tablespoons Italian-seasoned breadcrumbs
- 3 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese
- 3 (5 ounce) cans tuna, drained
- 3 tablespoons diced onion
- 1 pinch ground black pepper
- 1 pinch salt
- 3 tablespoons vegetable oil



### **Directions**

Beat eggs and lemon juice in a bowl; stir in breadcrumbs and Parmesan cheese to make a paste. Fold in tuna and onion until well combined; season with black pepper.

Use your hands to shape tuna mixture into 8 (1-inch-thick) patties.

Heat vegetable oil in a skillet over medium heat. Fry patties in the hot oil until golden brown, about 5 minutes per side.

## Twenty Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time-C

Luke 17:11-19

Dear Friends,

The first words of today's passage from Luke are **"As Jesus continued his journey to Jerusalem"**. (Lk 17:11) We have been with Jesus for fifteen weeks on this journey to Jerusalem and have three more to go. It has been a time of learning how to be a true disciple.

When the journey to Jerusalem began, the Samaritans refused Jesus free passage through their territory. James and John responded by suggesting that they would call down fire from heaven. Jesus had a better idea. His non-violent response led to the inclusion of two Samaritans in stories of salvation: The Good Samaritan and today's thankful and faith-filled Samaritan, cleansed of leprosy and recipient of salvation. These two individuals fit into Luke's theme of inclusion flowing from the universal dimension of Jesus' message. Both incidents highlight the Samaritans, the hated enemies of the Jews. Likewise, both stories further tear down the barriers of salvation. All are included in Jesus' teaching and practice of the Kingdom.

Most Gospel stories are deeper and more challenging than they seem on the surface. Today's story of the ten lepers is a good example. While it includes the limitless horizons of salvation, it also is an obvious lesson of gratitude. It is very helpful to understand the background. Any person with any skin disease was considered a leper. This, of course, included those with real leprosy which is very contagious and fatal. However, it also included many minor skin diseases. Lepers were totally isolated and could not come closer than fifty yards to any person as well as their loved ones. They had no participation in the social life of the community and were totally dependent on the generosity of others for all their needs.

So, when Jesus healed them, it was a big deal. But then the plot thickens. The Samaritan returns. ***"And one of them, realizing he had been cured, returned glorifying God in a loud voice, and he felt at the feet of Jesus and thanked him."*** (Lk 17:15-16) It is easy to understand the incredible freedom the other nine lepers felt. They now could be with their loved ones. They now could participate in the life of the community. It is not difficult to grasp how they could be distracted and forgetful.

As important as the lesson of gratitude is, Luke had a deeper message for us in the person of the Samaritan. He realizes the healing goes beyond the physical and social components of the recovery. For the grateful Samaritan, it is an encounter with a saving and loving God. He could see in Jesus not just one to solve his physical and material problems but one who could satisfy the fundamental hunger of the human heart for a happiness and freedom that goes beyond the wonder of physical healing even with all its marvelous benefits. The Samaritan kept his eyes on Jesus and accepted the deeper healing he needed. So, Jesus could say, ***"Stand up and go; your faith has saved you."*** (Lk 17:19)



# Christmas Toy Drive

**Please Donate New Unwrapped Toys  
to The Parish**

**For Children Ages 0-15 Years Old**

**Please Place Donations in The BIN  
located in the Church Narthex**

**Toy Drive Will Be From  
October 8<sup>th</sup> Until December 23, 2022**

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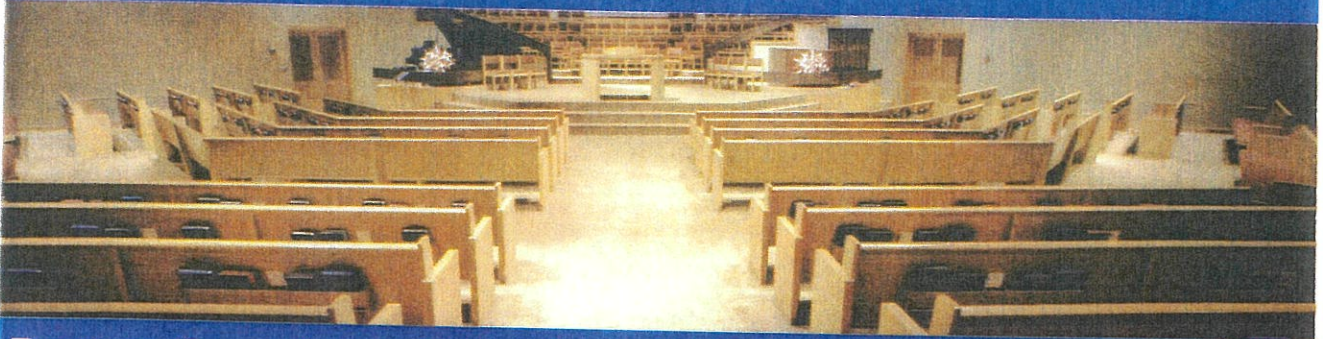
**If you have any questions, please call the parish  
office at 773-624-5375**





# *I'll Hold Your Hand*

Let **Our Lady of Africa Church medical ministry** support you as you receive your COVID-19 vaccine and/or booster shot.



**Date:** Sunday, October 23, 2022

**Time:** 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

**Location:** 615 E Oakwood Blvd, Chicago, IL 60653

- Anyone age 6 months and older is eligible to receive a COVID-19 vaccine
- All Chicagoans age 5+ should get a COVID-19 booster dose at least 5 months after completing their initial vaccination series
- Anyone age 50 and older or people over the age of 12 who are moderately or severely immunocompromised should get a second mRNA booster (Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna) at least 4 months after their first booster dose

Members of **Our Lady of Africa Church** are available to hold your hand and offer support as you get your shot.

Call **(773)-642-6532** to secure your appointment.

**\*Flu Shots Also Available.**

Protect Yourself, Your Loved  
Ones, Your Community







# **Community Senior Business Institute**

*Helping Seniors Win*

## **Senior Resource Fair**

**Let's talk about...**

- **Accessible Transportation for Seniors (65+)**
- **Reduced Fare Programs and Applications**
- **Health Insurance**
- **Life Insurance**
- **Medicare Advantage**

**Thursday, November 3, 2022**

**10:00 am - 2:00 pm**

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## The Spectacular Show

Artist:  
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**October 14, 2022 from 6pm - 10pm**  
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