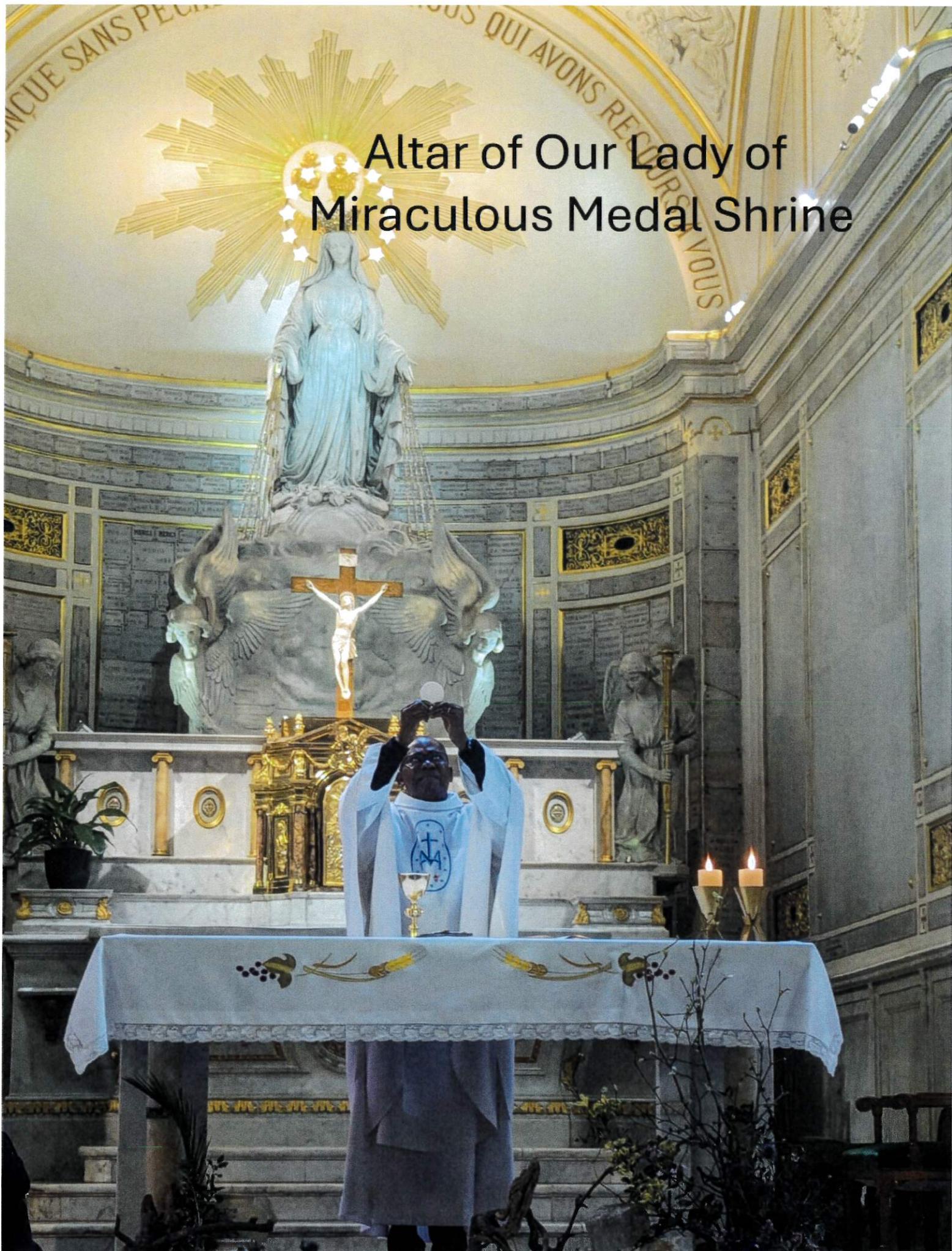


# Altar of Our Lady of Miraculous Medal Shrine



# Third Sunday of Lent

## Masses for the Week

### Sunday, March 8

7:30am Fr. Bill Sullivan  
10:00am For living & deceased parishioners

### Monday, March 9

**NO MASS**

### Tuesday, March 10 Stations/Mass/Confessions

6:00pm Dick Hyser

### Wednesday, March 11

8:00am Cate Kuhmichel

### Thursday, March 12

8:00am Living & deceased Nagy family

### Friday, March 13

8:00am Healing for Joan Brown

### Saturday, March 14

5:00pm Jim & Sophie Wormcastle

### Sunday, March 15

7:30am Jane Knafel  
10:00am For Holy Souls in Purgatory

## Liturgical Ministries

### March 14 & 15

#### Lectors

5:00pm Tom Beber  
7:30am John Lushis  
10:00am Therese Joy Burkett

#### Eucharistic Ministries

5:00pm P. Bottone, M. Korte, R. Rospond, S. Fawbush  
7:30am K. Schaefer, D. Strack, Z. & T. Schortgen  
10:00am A. Deckena, T. Frazier, S. Harber, W. Mathenge

#### Gifts

5:00pm Brandi Duncan family  
7:30am Tom Landrigan family  
10:00am Les Mangis family

#### Ushers

5:00pm C. Keefer, E. Keefer, B. Lane, T. Lane  
7:30am A. Hinen, P. Hinen, Z. Hinen, M. Magers  
10:00am C. Brown, J. Deckena, C. Deckena, K. Miller

#### Servers

5:00pm Volunteers  
7:30am Caleb G, Jonah G, Zane H, Marshall H  
10:00am Harrison F, Isaac F, Owen K, Julian T

#### Church Cleaning

**March 14** Amy Deckena, Laura Bringman

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**PARISH APP QR CODE**



## “GIVE ME A DRINK”

When our journey with God lingers for a while most of us lose patience because we easily forget God’s precious love which has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit; we often forget that God manifested His love for us while we were still sinners; He gave us Jesus, His only begotten Son who paid the price of our sins with His blood. If God so loved us while we were still sinners, is it possible that He would abandon us now that we have been reconciled to Him through the great price paid not with gold or silver but with the precious blood of Christ Jesus? Rom. 5:5-8; 1Pet.1:18-19.

When Jesus met the Samaritan woman at Jacob’s well, He was tired, and thirsty, from his journey but open to have a conversation. He asked her for a drink but quickly revealed that He is truly thirsty for the woman’s faith, and healing. She came to the well carrying more than an empty jar. She came with her shame, her brokenness, and her past that she would rather not talk about with anyone, more so a stranger. Jesus does not avoid that truth, instead He names and confronts the truth about her ugly past with mercy, not condemnation and that is what changed her. She leaves her water jar behind and becomes a witness to her whole community.

This Lenten season invites all of us, especially our Elects to come close to Jesus Christ, the wellspring of Living Water. He understands our thirsts, our wounds, our brokenness but He still invites us to come closer to Him. If we let Him meet us where we currently are, He will give us living water and lead us to where He wants us to be. He alone is the living water that will satisfy our deepest longing.

**P.S. Today, we start a set of scrutiny** for those who will be baptized at Easter Vigil; these shall expose both the obstacles to faith and the power of Jesus to help bring them to faith. Please, continue to keep them in your prayers.

**On Tuesday, March 10 from 6:00PM to 8:00PM the “Light is on for you.”** There will be opportunities for confessions in all the Parishes in our Diocese. Consider using this great opportunity to visit any confessional of your choice and experience God’s mercy and forgiveness as we journey through this season of grace and renewal.

**Friday, March 13 is our Dine in & Drive thru Fish Fry.** Come and enjoy the best Fish Fry in Fort Wayne.

-Fr. John Eze

March 8, 2026



**St. Patrick FISH FRY**  
March 13 4-7 pm  
Dine In & Drive Thru

**Volunteers needed.** Volunteers are asked to park at the Arcola School, and a shuttle bus will drop you off at St. Patrick's and take you back later to your vehicle. Please sign up on the Sign-up Genius or sign-up sheets at the church entrances. **We need more desserts!** Please consider volunteering for this event. You can sign up on the links below:

**Potato Prep** for potato salad on **Wednesday, March 11 from 9am to 3pm.**

**Prepare Potato Salad, Coleslaw & cup up on Thursday, March 12 from 9am to 3pm.**

**Dine-in Parish Hall Sign up**

Genius: <https://tinyurl.com/3uup3ea5>



**Drive-Thru Sign up Genius (old hall):** <https://tinyurl.com/2nv37pd5>



**Prep and Desserts Sign up Genius:**

<https://tinyurl.com/mw3jv3s3>



**Rice Bowls** are at the church entrances for Lent for Life! Help our global family and work for a world where all can thrive.

**Stations of the Cross and Mass** will be on **Tuesday, March 10 at 6pm.** **The Light is on for You!** Each Catholic parish in the Diocese will have priests available for confession from 6-8 pm.

**Pro-Life:** Life is precious from conception until death.

**Pro-Life Meeting** will be held on **Monday, March 9 at 6pm** at Queen of Angels

**Young Adult Bible Study on Monday Evening** (18-35-year-olds) will be held on **Monday, March 9 from 6-8 pm** in the Conference Room.

**Life Teen!** Leading Teens Closer to Christ! All 8<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> grade on **Saturday, March 14 from 3:00 – 5:00 pm** in the old school building.

**Encounter Youth Group** for all 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade students on **Saturday, March 21 from 3:00 – 4:30 pm** in the old school building.



**GET YOU TICKETS! St. Patrick's Party on Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup> after 5pm.** All proceeds benefiting The Ave Maria House Shelter in Fort Wayne. **Tickets will be sold after all masses in the parish hall or the parish office.** Tickets priced at \$5.00ea, \$20/per immediate family. You must have a ticket to attend this event; 300 tickets will be sold which aligns with our parish hall capacity limit.

**Silent Auction during the Fish Fry on Friday, March 13.** If you are interested in donating anything (item, gift card, service, themed basket, etc) for the auction, please call or text Michelle Fenker at 260.615.0109. We can make arrangements to pick it up. Thanks in advance for your donation!

**Formed: A Lenten Journey** – Join us in an informal & welcoming small-group setting on **Tuesday evening March 10 after Tuesday evening Mass from 6:30-8:00 pm.** “God invites you to experience his indescribable love this Lent.”

**Catholic Relief Services Collection** will be at all the masses next weekend for those who are vulnerable and needy, both around the world and right here at home!

**Queen of Angels** hosting video series “The Perfect Prayer: The Mass”, the study group will meet in the school 9 consecutive Mondays, beginning the first Monday of Lent, **February 23 thru Monday, April 20 at 6pm.** Free series.

**Save the Date! Slainte to St. Patrick on Saturday, March 14 at the Mirro Center** (10622 Parkview Plaza) Celebrating a legacy of Cheers & Catholic charities. Tickets are now on sale at: [www.ccfwsb.org/stpatrick](http://www.ccfwsb.org/stpatrick).

**Stations of the Cross is on Sunday, March 15 at 9am in the church led by our 5<sup>th</sup> grade class.** All are welcome to join us.

**Easter Memorial Flower Envelopes** are located at the church entrances which will help decorate the church for Easter!

**Faith in Action for Our Veterans!** Our CCD students and Knights are collecting items for Clothes for Joe and the Shepherds House. Suggested items: Coffee, creamer, Cereal, Bottled water, shampoo, soap, toothpaste, toilet paper, paper towels, twin blankets, bed sheets, pillows, etc. *Let's live out our faith by serving those who have served us.*

**40 Days for Life – Spring Campaign** Feb 18 – March 29 (2930 Lake Ave). Pray for the end of Abortion! **St. Patrick/Queen of Angels Prayer date is Wed. March 25!**

**OCIA 2026** – Please pray for our Catechumens and Candidates that are preparing to be received into full communion of the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil. Please take a name from the basket by the poster of The Elect at the church main entrance and pray for them during their beautiful journey.

**Weekly Offertory Collection February 23-March 1**

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