



Welcome to
Our Mother of Perpetual Help Parish
United in Faith, Love and Service to others.

On January 1, 2014, Our Lady of Fatima, which was founded in 1950, and St. James, which was founded in 1919, became Our Mother of Perpetual Help Parish. Both churches have a rich and wonderful history. However, as Our Mother of Perpetual Help we are dedicated to moving forward into our future with compassion, generosity and an openness of spirit.

We believe that the nurturing of the community around the Eucharistic Table is extended through gatherings which further strengthen and support us. We foster this faithfully through the power of the Holy Spirit and the gifts and talents of our members. We continue to walk our journey together with the Lord, our future secure in the knowledge that we have common goals in God's ever-present love. Father Paul Chateau is our Pastor and leads our parish.

Our Worship Opportunities

Weekend Liturgy Schedule

Saturday, 4:30 pm

At Our Lady of Fatima Church (1st Sunday of Advent through Memorial Day Weekend)

At St. James Church (1st weekend after Memorial Day through the last Saturday in Ordinary Time)

Sunday, 9:00 am

At Our Lady of Fatima Church

Sunday, 11:00 am

At St. James Church

Monday—Friday Liturgy Schedule

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday

9:00 am at Our Lady of Fatima Church

Tuesday, Thursday*

9:00 am at St. James Church

*(*On the First Thursday of the month there is an evening Mass at 7:00 pm—Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sept, Nov. at Our Lady of Fatima Church; Feb, Apr, Jun, Aug, Oct, Dec at St. James Church)*

Mission Statement

Our Mother of Perpetual Help Parish is a welcoming and nurturing Catholic community building up the Body of Christ through prayer and service.

Vision Statement

Our vision is to be an extraordinary spiritual gathering place where people of all backgrounds and ages are welcome to question and learn, pray, worship, and serve. In community through prayer and worship we hope to continue to grow together in our understanding and appreciation of God's love. We strive to change and improve our lives and the lives of others.

Our Councils

Many of our parishioners give generously of their time and talent to make our parish a strong presence in the local community. It is our desire to encourage and strengthen and enrich our Catholic call to and belief in service to others. Our purpose is to welcome others into our community. Our finance and parish councils help to make that happen.

Our Finance Council supports the good governance of the parish and helps there be accountability to the diocese and to the parishioners by assisting the Pastor in the proper administration and stewardship of the finances and material assets of the parish as well as strategic planning.



Parish Council

The Parish Council encourages and enables the sharing of gifts and resources so that we will be able to hear and proclaim the Gospel, worship and reach out to the community in service. It is a means and an avenue of coordinating our mission in the areas of education, service, stewardship and worship.

The Parish Council is a consultative body to the Pastor and the coordinating and unifying structure of the parish. Its mission is to give a voice of support, guidance and direction to the various aspects of parish life.

Our Commissions

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The Christian Service Commission promotes programs which strive to address human needs within our parish and in the broader community.

Some of their activities include: monthly blood pressure checks, empty shelves/empty baskets food collection, life issues, and health matters.

Our Faith Formation Commission strives to provide opportunities where our youth, and the adults who minister with them, can thrive in a caring, hospitable, Christian environment within the Catholic tradition.

Your child's faith formation is an important responsibility and we, at Our Mother of Perpetual Help Parish, look forward to partnering with you to give your child the best education possible. Our catechists are prepared to impart knowledge of our Catholic faith and to motivate our students to reach out in loving service to others.



Worship

Our Worship Commission envisions, coordinates and evaluates the worship, liturgical, and prayer life of Our Mother of Perpetual Help Parish. Included in its responsibilities are: inviting and training liturgical ministers, preparing liturgical and prayer celebrations, decorating our worship environments for the different liturgical seasons throughout the year, and supporting ecumenism in the area.

Our Parish Groups and Organizations

50+ Club

Are you retired? Do you want to socialize, play cards or bingo, hear interesting speakers? If so, join the 50+ Club. We meet the First and Third Thursdays of each month at 11:00 am in the Gathering Area at Our Lady of Fatima Church.

Men's Organization

This is the guy's club which is open to all men of the parish age 18 years and up. Fun is always to be had at their meetings. But, while they enjoy a good time they also serve our parish by sponsoring the Annual Parish Picnic, pancake breakfasts throughout the year, Halloween parties for the kids, Christmas parties, Burger, Brats and Beverages Nights, as well as many other events. The men meet on the first Wednesday of the month at 6:30 PM in Bradley Hall at Our Lady of Fatima Church.

Women's Society

If you're a woman who wants to join a service organization that is dedicated to helping to raise funds for those less fortunate, spend some time spiritually, and also have the opportunity to get together and socialize then our Women's Society is for you.

There are a variety of events throughout the year. Some events are in cooperation with the Men's Organization like the Halloween Breakfast and Breakfast with St. Nick for the kids. Some are annual events like the Lenten Soup Supper and Pot Luck Dinner. Other events are more social and fun. The Women's Society also sponsors fund raisers for specific projects for the parish and organizations which help those in need.

The Women's Society meets at 6:30pm the second Thursday of each month in the Gathering Area at Our Lady of Fatima Church.

Monday Morning Prayer Group

We all know there is power in prayer. Are you looking for a prayer group? Then, consider joining the Monday Morning Prayer Group. Everyone is welcome. The prayer group meets weekly on Monday mornings (except when a national holiday falls on a Monday) at 10:30 am in the Gathering Area at Our Lady of Fatima Church.

DRIVE (Detroit Regional Interfaith Voice for Equity)

DRIVE is an interfaith, non-partisan, regional collection of congregations in the Detroit Metropolitan area. DRIVE believes that faith communities have a role in shaping a healthy, just and equitable region for all people who live here.

Members belong to DRIVE out of a commitment to confront the racial, social, class, geographic and religious barriers that divide us and to choose instead to find the proximity and friendship with one another. The heart and soul of DRIVE is building relationships. We come together regularly to deepen and strengthen relationships and to discover common interests and share values.

Our Mother of Perpetual Help Parish's core group meet on the third Wednesday of the month. Everyone is invited to join the core group.

Our Parish Groups and Organizations continued...

Society of St. Vincent de Paul Conference

The fundamental elements of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul are Friendship, Spirituality and Service. It is the aim of all Vincentians (members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul) to continually grow in these area. Membership is open to all individuals who desire to help those in need and want to follow the spirit of the founder, Blessed Frederic Ozanam and the Vincentian's patron and namesake, St. Vincent de Paul.

The Our Mother of Perpetual Help Society of St. Vincent de Paul Conference provides critical support to the residents within the boundaries of our parish (Oak Park, Ferndale, and Royal Oak Township). Through their hands-on charitable work they are a vital part of the community, offering food assistance, emergency support and relief services to help enhance the lives of the less fortunate in our area.

The Our Mother of Perpetual Help SVdP Conference meets at 7:00pm on the first Monday of each month in the Gathering Area at Our Lady of Fatima Church.

Our Mother of Perpetual Help Parish

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