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FALL OFFERINGS 2017 | OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL



WHO WE ARE

We find no better summary of what we are all about than the words of Pope Francis: "Knowing Jesus is the best gift that anyone can ever receive. That we have encountered Him is the best thing that has happened in our lives. And making Him known by our deeds and words is our greatest joy."

Our Lady of Good Counsel exists to **offer every person in our community a life-changing encounter with Jesus** so that we can grow evermore as His intentional disciples so that we can offer an evermore credible witness to the difference Jesus alone can make.

If you would like to get more involved, there are plenty of opportunities—visit olgcp parish.net to find out more. We look forward to getting to know you.

ALPHA

**Begins the week of Sept. 3 | Register at plymouthalpha.com
Contact Mary at alpha@olgcp parish.net | 734.453.0326, ext. 222**

Tuesdays 6:30-8:30 p.m. Alpha & Alpha for the Widowed, OLGC Social Hall

Thursdays 6:30-8:30 p.m. Pub Alpha, Box Bar, Downtown Plymouth

Fridays 7:00-9:00 p.m. Home Alpha, Home of Brian & Jen Milligan

**Additional Alphas offered for Engaged Couples and OLGC School Parents.
Please see plymouthalpha.com for details and registration.**

Alpha gives everyone the opportunity to explore the meaning of life in a relaxed, friendly setting. The Alpha course meets once a week for eleven weeks. Sessions begin with a meal followed by a short talk and time to discuss the topic. Feel free to come to the first session and see what you think. No pressure and no follow up.

BIBLE STUDY

***The Acts of the Apostles* | \$60**

**Begins Thurs., Sept. 7, 7:30-9:00 p.m. | OLGC St. John Paul II A | olgcp parish.net/biblestudy
Contact Patrice at sodashop7@ameritech.net**

This is the Birth of the Church—the completion of the story of Jesus as manifested in the life of the early Church—Christ's Mystical Body on earth. Some highlights of this study include Jesus' Ascension, replacing Judas, Pentecost, Peter's primacy, miracles and the spread of the Gospel by the Apostles, growth of the first Christian community around Peter, Stephen, the first Christian martyr, Saul the persecutor of Christians and his miraculous conversion, the first Church council, and the mission. *Acts of the Apostles* is a twenty-eight-lesson study. The Commentary is written by Steve Ray. The Video Lectures are presented by Fr. Patrick Winslow.

***Walking with Purpose* | \$65**

**Begins Tues., Sept. 12, 9:00-11:00 a.m. and 7:00-9:00 p.m. | OLGC Social Hall, St. John Paul II A & B
olgcp parish.net/wwp | Contact Diana at wwp@olgcp parish.net**

Walking with Purpose is a women's Catholic Bible study that brings women to a deeper, personal relationship with Jesus Christ through personal study and small group discussion that link our everyday challenges with the solutions given to us through the teachings of Christ and the Roman Catholic Church. This year we will explore two studies, "Opening Your Heart: The Starting Point" (ideal for women new to WWP) and "Touching the Divine," both offered in the morning and evening. Each study is twenty-two weeks. Register online or at the door. Fee includes all materials and refreshments. Child care is available during both sessions and registration is required.

***The Bible and the Sacraments* | FREE, \$20 workbook highly recommended**

**Begins Mon., Sept. 18, 7:00-8:30 p.m. | OLGC St. John Paul II A & B | olgcp parish.net/biblestudy
Contact Tom at tokasinski@sbcglobal.net**

This eleven-lesson series explores the sacraments of the Catholic Church, illuminating these "masterworks of God" in the new and everlasting covenant" (CCC 1116). *The Bible and the Sacraments* is unlike any other study on the sacraments. Examining the rich relationship between the Old and New Testaments, it reveals the sacraments as more than mere earthly rituals. The goal of this study is to understand where the sacraments come from, what they mean, and why they are so important and foundational to our Catholic faith. This study is based on the work of world-renowned theologian Dr. Scott Hahn and is presented by popular speaker and author Matthew Leonard.

EVANGELIZATION & CHARISMS

Basic Evangelization Workshop | \$25

Sat., Sept. 30, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. | OLCG Social Hall

Contact evangelize@olgcp parish.net | olgcp parish.net/register

St. Paul Evangelization Ministry's *Basic Evangelization Workshop* is one of the most hands-on, practical, and dynamic evangelization workshops for Catholics today. Participants will be given the tools needed in order to share their faith with others. Fee includes light breakfast, lunch, and workbook.

Discovering Your Charisms Workshop

Sat., Dec. 9, 9:00-11:00 a.m. | OLCG St. John Paul II A | olgcp parish.net/register

This workshop provides you with a plan to find out what gifts God may have given you to share with your family, parish, and community. You will learn to recognize God-given gifts and charisms in others as well as in yourself. When you begin to share them, you will come to more joy by "doing what God created you to do" while using your charisms to build up the Body of Christ, the Church.

MARRIAGE & FAMILY LIFE

Playgroup

Weekly, begins Wed., Sept. 13, 9:30-11:30 a.m. | Various locations

Contact Suzanne at families@olgcp parish.net

Newborn through preschool-aged children will come together with their moms, dads, grandparents, and caregivers for a time of fellowship and play in a relaxed informal setting. The group will meet in the Moser's home, local parks, and various other family-friendly locations in and around the Plymouth area. Attendees are encouraged to drop in for as little or as long as they would like. Please contact Suzanne for a complete schedule of locations.

NaproTECHNOLOGY: A Catholic Medical Guide to Infertility and Women's Health

Sat., Oct. 28, 9:00-10:00 a.m. | OLCG St. John Paul II A & B | olgcp parish.net/register

Please join us for an informative evening with Dr. Stephen A. Hickner, the highly acclaimed OB/GYN at Emmaus Health at Dominos Farms. Dr. Hickner's talk will cover a variety of topics regarding women's health, including: infertility, PCOS, endometriosis, abnormal uterine bleeding, and more! Child care will be available and registration is required.

Family Night

Sat., Sept. 16, 5:00-7:00 p.m. | OLCG Social Hall

Contact families@olgcp parish.net

Join families with newborn through school-aged children for a night of fellowship and fun. Pizza and hot dogs will be provided along with toys, games, crafts, open gym (when available), and prayer.

The Marriage Course: 8 Great Dates

Begins Fri., Sept. 22, 6:30-9:30 p.m. | OLCG Parish House | olgcp parish.net/register

\$100 per couple (in parish)/\$225 per couple (out of parish)

Contact Kathy at kathykins11@gmail.com

This course is designed to help married couples learn practical tools to build strong, healthy marriages. While enjoying a catered dinner at private candlelit tables, couples have the chance to discuss important issues often ignored in the rush of daily life.

Preschool Playtime

Fri., Oct. 6, 10:00 a.m.-Noon | OLCG St. John Paul II A & B

Contact Suzanne at families@olgcp parish.net

Join families with newborn through preschool-aged children for open play following the First Friday Mass and Fellowship in October. Children and their caregivers are encouraged to drop in for as little or long as they like. Brown bag lunches welcome.

Every Day in Love Marriage Series

Begins Sun., Oct. 1, 1:00-4:30 p.m. | OLCG St. John Paul II A & B | olgcp parish.net/register

\$75 per couple

Contact Tom and Jeanne Stevenson at LivinginLove.OLGC@gmail.com

A four-week series of insightful three-hour workshops designed to release more joy in every marriage! Sessions include: Smart Loving, Talking with Purpose, The Passionate Couple, and Living the Dream. *Every Day in Love* equips and empowers couples to experience being passionately in love amid all the stresses of everyday life. Limited child care will be available and registration is required.

Children of Hope: Preschool Adoration program

Weekly, begins Sat., Oct. 7, 10:00 a.m.-Noon | OLG School Chapel and Commons Area

olgcparish.net/register

Contact Martha at families@olgcparish.net

Preschool-aged children with their families will be guided into adoration through song and prayer. Each week, the time in adoration will grow, starting with only a handful of minutes. Families are encouraged to stay for fellowship and brown bag lunch following the adoration time. Adoration and fellowship will be done at Noon. Registration recommended but is not required.

Senior Life: a new OLG ministry for ages 55 and up

Contact Bernard & Janet Rost at rostj@olgcparish.net

We're just getting organized so look for us in the bulletin or on Facebook. Our ministry will include gatherings and shared activities for those age 55 and up. Activities may include walking groups, cards & games groups, entertainment events, field trips, and more. **Email to get involved!**

MEN'S MINISTRY

Men's Prayer Breakfast (MPB)

Wednesdays, 5:45-7:00 a.m. | OLG Social Hall | Contact olg.reg.joes@gmail.com

Men, do you consider the bigger questions in life? What is God calling you to do? How should you live life for others? How can I be a better man? If these questions arise in your heart, we urge you to join with us. Through the fellowship of other men, we seek to understand the Catholic faith with greater clarity and action. We discuss the issues we face as sons, husbands, and fathers, to step through the confusion of the world and understand the meaning and purpose of our lives. If you are ready to take a step on the life-long journey of a relationship with Christ, we invite you to join us on Wednesday mornings in the parish Social Hall. No cost, no requirements. Just come.

OLGC SCHOOL OF EVANGELIZATION

Select Wednesday Nights, see olgcparish.net for dates

Begins Sept. 20, 6:45-9:00 p.m. | OLG Social Hall

As Paul's Letter to the Ephesians teaches that it isn't just the clergy who are to do all of the ministry work and taking a cue from Archbishop Vigneron's pastoral letter "Unleash the Gospel," Wednesday evening sessions will equip parishioners to "mobilize, form, and train...for carrying out their mission of building up the Church."

PASTORAL CARE

Grieving with Great HOPE | \$20

Begins Mon., Sept. 25, 7:00-9:00 p.m. | OLG Church and Social Hall

Contact goodmourningministry@hotmail.com | olgcparish.net/register

There are no stages to grief. We all experience loss in our own unique way. Healing is an intentional process, where we gather together as a community of faith to become disciples of hope. It is through prayerful reflection, practical learning, and personal fellowship that we mourn. *Grieving with Great HOPE* is a five-week support workshop for anyone grieving the death of a loved one. More info at www.goodmourningministry.net.

New Beginnings

Begins Thurs., Oct. 12., 7:00-9:00 p.m. | OLG Junior High Commons

Contact LeAnn at newbeginningsolg@gmail.com

New Beginnings is a support group to bring hope and healing to divorced Catholics. The support group will help you: Discover how to work through the emotions of divorce; experience personal healing and hope; gain wisdom and comfort from others who share your experiences; address questions of forgiveness and new family dynamics; and, obtain an understanding of the annulment process.

My House Men's Group

Contact myhouse@olgcparish.net

My House Men's Group is a private, safe, and confidential group for men struggling with sexual integrity and follows a twelve-step Christian approach for accountability and healing. Send an email for more information about meeting times and location.

My House Women's Group

Contact myhousewomensgroup@gmail.com | 734.453.0326, ext. 308

My House Women's Group is a confidential weekly support group dedicated to helping women cope with the losses associated with their husbands' use of pornography and other issues of infidelity. You will find a safe place to heal and prayerfully begin to restore your peace and joy. Send an email for more information about meeting times and location.

Becoming Catholic (RCIA)

Begins Thurs., Sept. 7, 6:30-9:00 p.m. in the Social Hall or Sat., Sept. 9, 9:00-11:00 a.m. in the Fr. Byrne Room | Contact Bob at rciabobs@att.net | 734.455.1999

Becoming Catholic is for adults interested in joining the Catholic Church. This experience is ideal for those who are not baptized, baptized in another faith, Catholics seeking the sacrament of Eucharist or Confirmation, and for Catholics seeking a review of their faith.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Prayer and Pancakes/First Saturday of the Month

**Begins Sat., Sept. 2, 8:00 a.m. | OLGC Church & Downtown Plymouth
Contact ya@olgcp parish.net**

Join fellow young adults in celebration of First Saturdays. Meet at OLGC for the morning mass, followed by the rosary and reflection. Then, go out to breakfast in Downtown Plymouth for fellowship! Our Lady spoke of First Saturday devotion: "I promise to assist at the hour of death with the graces necessary for salvation all those who, in order to make reparation to me, on the First Saturday of five successive months, go to confession, receive Holy Communion, say five decades of the Rosary, and keep me company for a quarter of an hour, meditating on the fifteen mysteries of the Rosary."

Utrum/Third Saturday of the Month

**Begins Sat., Sept. 16, 7:00-9:00 p.m. | OLGC The Upper Room
Contact ya@olgcp parish.net**

Utrum (Latin for "whether") was a method used in the 13th century by St. Thomas Aquinas. In it, a topic for discussion is proposed, a series of objections are provided, and a response is crafted to refute the recited objections. The Young Adult Utrum program uses this framework to facilitate open dialogue, wrestle with other perspectives, and strengthen understanding of Catholic Doctrine. Groups are presented with three objections, discuss with their group so as to provide a refutation (using the Bible, Catechism, internet, and other sources), and then present their refutation. The event concludes with a position provided from Catholic authority.

Social and Service Events

Throughout the Fall, the Young Adult group will be hosting social and service events in addition to the programs above. Events will be posted to the OLGC Young Adult Facebook group and identified in an e-newsletter. To be signed up to receive the e-newsletter, please email a request to ya@olgcp parish.net.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Monthly Prayer Service of St. Peregrine, Patron Saint of Cancer Patients

Every 2nd Wednesday of the month, 5:30 p.m. | OLGC Church

Saint Peregrine was healed of a cancerous ulcer on his leg which was considered beyond saving. Cancer survivors, caregivers, family, and friends will come together to pray for the intercession of St. Peregrine, seeking his intercession for the relief of their suffering and even for a cure from sickness.

Praise & Worship

Select Nights, see olgcp parish.net for dates | OLGC Church

Come and experience the presence of the Blessed Sacrament as we worship in spirit and song.

Our Lady of Fatima 100th Year Conference: Your Mother Is Calling...Are You Listening?

Fri., Oct. 13-Sat., Oct. 14 | OLGC Church | olgcp parish.net/fatima | \$30 One Day, \$40 Both Days

Presented by A Call to Mary, this conference will feature the following confirmed speakers: Fr. John Riccardo, Gary Michuta, Dr. William Thomas, Dr. Robert Fastiggi, Colin Donovan, and Sr. Irenaeus, O.P.

Mass for Families of Miscarriage and Child Loss

Wed., Oct. 18, 6:00 p.m. | OLGC Church

Families who have lost a child gather to share in the pain of their loss and to share with others bearing similar sorrow.

Advent Tea

Fri., Dec. 1, 6:30 p.m. | OLGC Church | \$10

Contact Penny at ralph.steele@wowway.com

Join us for an Advent reflection with Father Stanley Obloj. His topic will be "How to Mirror Mary in Her Preparations for the Birth of Jesus: Mary's Discernment and Our Self-Discovery."

Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church

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OUR LOCATIONS

Our Lady of Good Counsel Church & Social Hall

47650 N. Territorial Rd., Plymouth, MI 48170

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday: 8 a.m., 4 p.m. (Vigil)

Sunday: 8 a.m., 10 a.m., noon, 5 p.m.

For Weekday Masses, Confession schedule,
Holy Days of Obligation, and Christmas Mass
times, please visit olgcparrish.net.

Parish Office

1062 Church St., Plymouth, MI 48170

Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Religious Ed. Office

1160 Penniman Ave. Plymouth, MI 48170

Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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