July 2, 2023



We Make Missionary Disciples



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WELCOME FATHER KEVIN



MASS SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

Wednesday - Friday: 7:15 a.m.

Monday - Saturday: 9:00 a.m. (simulcasted)

Saturday: 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m. (simulcasted), 10:30 a.m., and noon

CLERGY AND STAFF

Very Reverend Daniel F. Swift, Pastor, father_dan@smlparish.org Reverend Kevin Hrycenko, Parochial Vicar, khrycenko@smlparish.org

Deacon Richard Lutomski Deacon Louis (Ed) Mayer

Susan B. Kraemer, Business Administrator

Christine Brandt, Pastoral Associate

Lenora Gange, Administrative Assistant

Laura Dicus, Administrative Assistant

Mary Thomas, Administrative Assistant

Maria Sobel, School Principal

Linda Xerri, Director of Religious Education

Todd Nolan, Parish Catechetical Leader

Lisa Helm, PREP Administrative Assistant

Frank Babinchock, Parish Youth Minister

Carolyn Cuperwich, Music Coordinator

Harry Meshirer, Parish Bookkeeper

Ralph Gallo and Kevin Loughlin, Parish Trustees

REGULAR OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

ST. MARY OF THE LAKES ONLINE

Website Address: www.smlparish.org Email Address: Frontdesk@smlparish.org Facebook: www.facebook.com/smlparish Twitter: www.twitter.com/smlparish School Website: www.smlschool.org

Knights of Columbus: www.medfordknights.org

LOCATION, TELEPHONE N	UMBERS, FAX	(609 Area Code)
Parish Office	40 Jackson Road	654-8208 x110
Parish Office Fax		975-0137
St. Mary of the Lakes School	196 Route 70	654-2546 x210
St. Mary of the Lakes School	Fax	654-8125
Parish Religious Education	196 Route 70	654-2546 x310
Parish Youth Minister	40 Jackson Road	654-2546 x111
Bulletin Editor	40 Jackson Road	654-8208 x131
St. Vincent de Paul Society	1 Jones Road	953-0021

PARISH REGISTRATION: ALL ARE WELCOME "God is rich in mercy, because of His boundless love for us." Ephesians 2:4 tells us God's love knows no boundaries and neither does St. Mary of the Lakes. New parishioners, regardless of where they live, are welcome and encouraged to register at our parish. Registration forms are available in the parish office and on our website at www.smlparish.org. Click on Contact us/registration.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Confessions are heard on Saturdays after 9:00 a.m. Mass and at 4:30 p.m. You may also call the parish office to make an appointment for a different time.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK Please call the parish office anytime or speak to one of the priests after Mass.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the second Sunday of the month at 1:30 p.m. Parents must attend a Baptism Preparation Session prior to their child's Baptism. Please call the parish office 609/654-8208, x110 as early as possible to make the necessary arrangements.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY Congratulations to our engaged couples. Call 609/654-8208, x110 to make arrangements for your wedding. We suggest you call at least a year in advance.

BECOMING CATHOLIC (RCIA) If you or someone you know is considering becoming Catholic or is/are baptized Catholic but have yet to receive First Communion and/or Confirmation, please call Christine Brandt at 609/654-8208, x113.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION The Adoration Chapel off the Jackson Rd. Entrance is open 24/7.

MINISTERIAL VISITS The Sacraments are available to anyone confined to home or institution. Please contact the parish office if you know anyone who is unable to get to church.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY The St. Vincent de Paul Society is an all-volunteer ministry with services provided and supported by many of our parishioners. "Vincentians" provide outreach and assistance to anyone in need throughout our parish region. Contact Maureen Sokolowski, President. 609/953-0021.

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Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



First Reading

2 Kings 4:8-11,14-16a Hospitality extended to Elisha will be rewarded.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 89:2-3,16-19 Sing God's praises forever.

Second Reading

Romans 6:3-4.8-11

Through Christ we are dead to sin but alive in God.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 10:37-42

Jesus outlines the costs and rewards of discipleship.

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 1st

5:30 p.m. Carol Tirrell / Ron and Lisa Conklin

Sunday, July 2nd

7:30 a.m. Military and Law Enforcement

Personnel and Families / Peg and

Jerry Oyen

Deceased Members of the Knights of 9:00 a.m.

Columbus

10:30 a.m. Edward Boshko / Leslie and

Tony Derwinis

Our Parishioners 12:00 p.m.

Monday, July 3rd

NO MASS 7:15 a.m.

9:00 a.m. **Purgatory Society**

Ted Nash / His wife

Samantha and Lillian Flannery/ Jim and

Marian Incognito

Tuesday, July 4th

7:15 a.m. NO MASS

9:00 a.m. Rose Wickersty / Rosemary

Catherine Mason / Maryann and Steve

Mason

Wednesday, July 5th

7:15 a.m. **Our Parishioners**

9:00 a.m. Joseph Gullo/ Bill and Missy Mazzio

John Scotto / Dominic

Thursday, July 6th

7:15 a.m. Joseph Sokolowski/ His Family

9:00 a.m. Mary Pitts and Ed Marshall / Harvey

Friday, July 7th

Ralph DeGregorio/ SML Clergy, Staff and 7:15 a.m.

Parishioners

50th Wedding Anniversary—Deacon 9:00 a.m.

Rich and Elizabeth Lutomski (living)

Saturday, July 8th

Claudio Caldini/ KoC Council #6520 9:00 a.m.

5:30 p.m. Ralph DeGregorio / The Campanaro

Family

Sunday, July 9th

7:30 a.m. Kelley France/ Loughlin Family

9:00 a.m. Our Parishioners

10:30 a.m. Darwin DeMeo, Jr./ David and

Nancy Mitchell

12:00 p.m. Gary Grobelmy/ His brothers



Long-term prayer requests will not be published individually, but will be prayed for at each Mass, as will the following:

Andrea Orland, Mark McFadden, Bill DeVuono, Zak Reynolds, Elizabeth Lutomski, Mia Daly, Meghan D., Robert McCormick, Ryan Jastrzemski, Bill Anderson, Laura Palacio, Peggy Luciani, Jesse Verrecchia, Tommy Willis, Charles Baker Family, Joe Halloran, Niki Kruse, Joe White, Joseph Lambarski, Garrett and Marie Pitman, Kevin Rynn, Emelia DiCarlo, Andrew Klamo, Georgie Pollis, Allison Turner, Anna Mae Wade, Diane Wolf, John V. Conte, Sally Bush, Linda Nowak, Joan Irwin, Michelle Sprenger, Eileen McFadden, Denise McFadden, Rose Piontkowski, Phillip Greunder, Kathleen Chwastek, Tim Denihan, Amanda Bader, Itai Rosen, Cynthia Lewandowski, Donna Skalski, Barbara Skalski, Kristin Oyola, Phil Gallagher, Shannon Adamucci, Michael Gill, Betty West, Elizabeth Hansen, John Cirenda, Melissa, Kathie Belonger, Marilyn Peoples, Andrew Boyle, Bernadette Giambuzzi, Jim Burke, Mary Jane Mullen, Eileen Palko

Capt. Christian Aguilar, USA; Capt. Kyle Brandt, USAF; 1st LT Erin Corcoran, USA; CAPT Kevin Emmons, USA; BG Steve Gilland, USA; MAJ Suzanne Gillern; PVT CM Sean Grannan, USA;

LTJG Jeremy Griffin, USN; Chief Warrant Officer Kevin James Haddon, USA; LT Sean Hickey, USN; 2nd LT Waverly Hock, USAF; MAJ William Hock, USAF; 2nd LT Rachel Kelly, USAF; LT Commander Matthew Knepper, USN; Capt. Patrick Kneram, USA; SGT Brett Koerner, USMC; PVT Morgan Lawrence, USA; GM3 David Lewis, USN; MIDN Abigail Lutz, USNA; Christopher Macready, USMC; 2nd LT Doug MacDonald, USMC; 1st LT Michelle Mathews, USMC; MIDN 4/D Patrick McKernan, USA; PO3 Allston Megill, USN; Airman 1st Class Anthony J. Pinto; 1st LT Victor Prato, USA; CM Jonathan Ross, USN; ENS Nolan Smith, USN; TSGT Adrian Tomkus, USAF; LTJG Bruce Lemyre; Staff Sergeant Brady Guthrie; SPC Eric White, USA; PFC Aaron Bill, USMC; 2nd LT Alexander Feighery, USA; 1st LT Grace Winton, USA

Come Join Us in Prayer

- Rosary: after all morning Masses Monday through Saturday
- Miraculous Medal Novena: after 9:00 a.m. Mass on Monday (approximately 9:30 a.m.)
- Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena Prayer: after 9:00 a.m. Mass on Tuesday and Saturday
- Chaplet of the Most Precious Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ: after 9:00 a.m. Mass on Friday

Welcome to St. Mary of the Lakes:

The Chirico Family
The Ferrara Family
Andrew Nolan

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let Your perpetual light shine upon them.

Please pray for the soul of

Barbara Lamarre

Have You Moved? New Phone Number?

If you have moved, or move in the future, gotten a new phone number or email address, please inform the parish office so that we may keep our records current.

White Roses before the Blessed Mother

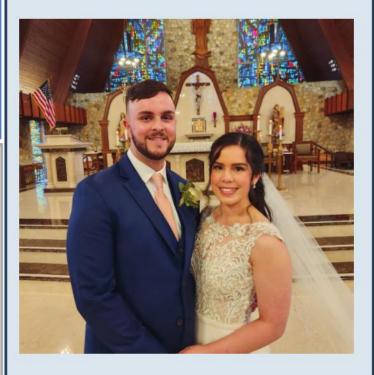


Father Kevin and Father Dan are graduates of Mount St. Mary Seminary in Emmitsburg, MD. It is the custom of "Mounties" to place white roses before the Blessed Mother as they begin a priestly assignment, entrusting their priestly ministry to the intercession of Mary. Please pray to Mary with and for Father Kevin as he begins his priestly ministry at St. Mary of the Lakes. We are blest to have him with us.

Congratulations to all those who were baptized at St. Mary of the Lakes 10 years ago in July 2013

> Hudson Holtzman Madison Garcia Tyler Dowd Keira McNally Myles McNally Norman Gerber

Congratulations Mr. and Mrs. Hunter Beck



Please offer your prayerful best wishes to Rebecca Bohi and Hunter Beck who were married at SML on Saturday, June 24th!

Please note there will be NO 7:15 a.m. Mass on July 3rd and July 4th.

Suggested Reading

Father Dan referenced three books in his homily last Sunday. They are:

deCaussade, Jean-Pierre. Abandonment to Divine Providence. New York: Image, 1975.

Sanna, Ellyn. All Shall Be Well: A Modern-Language Version of the Revelation of Julian of Norwich. Vestal, NY: Anamchara Books, 1982.

Sheen, Fulton John. The Hymn of the Conquered. www.forgottenbooks.com

About Father Kevin Hrycenko



1 am Father Kevin Hrycenko and have the honor of being your new parochial vicar. If my name and appearance seem familiar, I spent the Summer of 2019 as a seminarian at SML and I am excited to return to Medford, this time as your priest! I grew up in Toms River as a parishioner at St. Joseph, where I received all of my sacraments, including Holy Orders. 1 am a graduate of St. Joseph Grade School and Donovan Catholic High School. In 2016, I earned a Bachelor of Arts in History at Catholic University of America in Washington, DC, and a Master of Divinity from Mount St. Mary Seminary in Emmitsburg, MD. Father Dan and I are both "Mounties." Along with celebrating the sacraments and being a priest, I enjoy watching baseball and football, spending time with my family and friends and going to the beach. I am very excited to being my ministry at St. Mary of the Lakes and to be a priest for all of you. I chose the Gospel of the Good Shepherd for my Ordination Mass - "I am the Good Shepherd." My hope and prayer is that I can be a good shepherd for all of you because my job as your priest is to help you get into heaven. I look forward to meeting and getting to know all you and may God bless you.

The Numbers Are In!



I am pleased to report this year's carnival netted \$225,690, as compared to last year's \$225,068. If we were to compare oranges to oranges, year to year, four factors need to be considered: revenue, a grant, a gift, and a sunny Saturday vs. a rainy Saturday. Ceteris paribusi this year's profit would have been around \$300,000, as we experienced an almost 40 percent increase in total revenue without a Saturday night! St. Mary of the Lakes Not too shabby for Year Four, which was only possible due to our many volunteers and supporters! The carnival T's were spot on! BLEST!!

> God Bless. Father Dan

All other things being equal.



Offerings at Francis House of Prayer

Trenton Diocesan Spiritual Center and Retreat House 84 Walnford Road • Allentown, NJ 08501 609-877-0509 or FHOP@verizon.net

Please check <u>www.FHOP.org</u> for dates, registration, directions and for our other offerings! All programs will be offered online and in-person unless otherwise indicated.

7-DAY SILENT DIRECTED RETREATS

Begins 7:00 PM – Ends 10:00 AM July 12 – 19 August 20 – 27 September 22 – 29

Liturgy, spiritual direction, and optional contemplative prayer periods are included. Please register early. These fill quickly. Donation: \$600; \$100 non-refundable deposit.

5 – DAY SILENT DIRECTED RETREAT

Begins 7:00 PM – Ends 10:00 AM

July 21 – 26 Friday to Wednesday
July 30 – August 4 Sunday to Friday

Liturgy, spiritual direction, and optional contemplative prayer periods are included. Please register early. These fill quickly. Donation: \$425; \$75 non-refundable deposit.

4 - DAY SILENT DIRECTED RETREAT

Begins 7:00 PM - Ends 10:00 AM

August 14 – 18 Monday to Friday

Liturgy, spiritual direction, and optional contemplative prayer periods are included. Please register early. These fill quickly. Donation: \$350; \$75 non-refundable deposit

7 - DAY CENTERING PRAYER RETREAT

Begins 7:00 PM - Ends 10:00 AM

August 6 – 13 Sunday to Sunday

A Centering Prayer retreat invites you to go more deeply into the silence and stillness, which facilitates growth in Contemplative Prayer and attentiveness to God's Word.

The schedule provides many communal Centering Prayer periods, which are usually preceded by 20 minutes of Lectio Divina.

Donation: \$600; \$100 non-refundable deposit with registration.

Mass Cards

There is now a new way to request a Mass intention for a living or deceased family member, friend, or loved one at St. Mary of the Lakes for our parishioners who are unable to come to the parish office during our business hours. We are excited to announce that you may now request Mass intentions through the parish website!

The process is simple: visit smlparish.org, and under the ABOUT tab, click "Request a Mass Intention." From there, all you must do is provide the necessary information and submit your request. The parish office will receive and process your request. Mass cards can be picked up from the parish office, or if necessary, we would be happy to mail it to a provided address. Further details can be found on the parish website.

Mass intentions can also be requested by calling or coming to the parish office Monday - Friday from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.



A Mass Offering



Put Your Faith into Action: Become a Knight of Columbus

If you want to help those in need, serve your parish, and grow in your faith, then join the Knights of Columbus Council 6520.

Medford's Knights of Columbus are involved in many charitable activities, from children's events to collecting food for the hungry. All the good works of the Knights are informed by our four core principles: charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism.

You can focus on one event, such as our annual Christmas dedication trees, or get involved in several programs. Your volunteer time is up to you. Members attend meetings as their schedules allow.

Membership is open to men age 18 or older who accept the teaching authority of the Catholic Church on matters of faith and morals, aspire to live in accord with the precepts of the Church, and are in good standing with the Church. As a member of the Knights, you'll be part of the largest Catholic fraternal organization in the world.

For more information, contact Scott Lattimer at sclattimer@aol.com or visit www.medfordknights.org. Vivat Jesus!

Patriotic Prayer Service Is July 2nd After 9:00 a.m. Mass

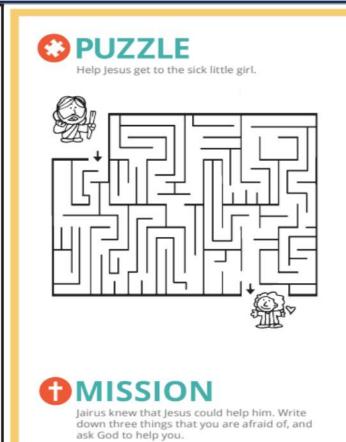
The Knights of Columbus are hosting their 20th annual patriotic prayer service on Sunday, July 2nd, after the 9:00 a.m. Mass. All parishioners are invited to gather outside the church at the flagpole for this brief service. We continue to offer our prayers for our religious and civil liberties—now more than ever. We will also raise a new flag for our church as part of our Declaration of Independence celebration.

VISITING MISSIONARY

Very Rev. Paul Puthuva, V.C., a Vincentian Missionary Priest from India, will be speaking at all the Masses the weekend of July 8th and 9th as part of our Annual Summer Missionary Appeal and will make an appeal on behalf of the Vincentian Missions.

The Vincentian Congregation (V.C.), a Religious Congregation, was founded in Kerala, India, in 1904, modeled after the Congregation of the Mission founded by St. Vincent de Paul. Members of this flourishing Religious Congregation are engaged in mission work in all parts of India, in East Africa, and in Peru. Please visit their web site, www.vincentians.in, to learn more about them.

The Vincentian Missionaries need our help to carry out their many missionary, educational, and charitable activities. They need our special financial support for the training of young men studying for the priesthood. There will be a second collection next weekend for the Vincentian Missions to help the missionary work of the Vincentian Fathers. Please be as generous as you are able in your mission offering and keep Fr. Paul and all the Vincentian Missionaries in your prayers. Thank you.





3rd Annual Charity Tournament

Saturday, September 16,2023 Start time 11:00 am — 5:00 pm Day of Event Registration: 10:00 am — 10:45 am St. Mary's of the Lakes School Gym — Medford, NJ

Fee: \$75.00 per 2 person team Registration limited to 32 Teams

Registration includes:

(2) person team

Lunch ticket for 1 Sandwich & Bag of Chips

Prizes for the top 3 teams

We will also serve refreshments (not included in the fee).

Tournament Rules:

Double Elimination

Best 2 of 3 / 15 point games for the first 2 rounds.

After the 2nd round all games will be 1 game of 21 points.



Christian Caring Center

Supporting the less fortunate in our communities

Payment info:

Make checks payable to:
Medford Knights Charity Fund.
a 501 (c) 3 Tax Deductible fund.
Mail registration form & check to:
Peter Perno
205 Sunny Jim Dr.
Medford, NJ 08055

Daytime Phone:	Email:
Other Member of my T	eam:
Name:	
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To ensure your slot, pre-registration payments must be received by August 31, 2023.

No Refunds after September 1, 2023. We will only include your registration when payment is received.

For questions contact Jim Gibson 609-668-2897 or Email:

SPONSORSHIPS are available - benefiting the Christian Caring Center

Sponsorships include recognition signage displayed at the event, and will also be displayed on our Medfordknights.org/cornhole website.

(please check sponsorship level below)

□ Event Sponsor \$500□ Corn Sponsor \$250□ Hole Sponsor: \$100

Make check payable to: <u>Medford Knight Charity Fund</u> Mail check to:

jimg96@comcast.net

Peter Perno, 205 Sunny Jim Drive, Medford, NJ 08055

you can also use

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For questions, please contact:

Jim Gibson at 609-668-2897, if desired, company logo or artwork may be included with payment or emailed to <u>jimg96@comcast.net</u>

DEADLINE for Sponsorships: August 31, 2023





Kindergarten Teacher

St. Mary of the Lakes Catholic School in Medford seeks one full-time kindergarten teacher for the 2023–2024 school year. The successful candidate will work collaboratively with a grade-level partner and will be responsible for teaching early reading, writing, and math readiness skills to our kindergarten students in a faith-filled environment. Successful candidates will demonstrate an understanding of best educational practices, including hands-on learning, differentiated instruction, and a belief in constructivist learning. Candidates should have experience teaching and be committed to a Catholic education. Minimum qualifications include holding a NJ Elementary Education or PreK–3rd Grade Certificate/Early Childhood Certificate as well as a good working knowledge of different technology platforms, including Google Classroom. This position is ideal for someone who is looking for a close-knit school community where they can actively practice their faith. Successful candidates will be subject to fingerprinting/background checks and will also have to attend VIRTUS training.

Qualified candidates should submit their letter of interest, resume, and salary requirements by July 7th to Jim Sterbenz, School Operations Administrator, at jsterbenz@smlschool.org.

Teaching Assistant - Fourth Grade

St. Mary of the Lakes Catholic Church and School is seeking a part-time teaching assistant (25 hours per week) for the 2023–2024 school year for our fourth grade classes. Our fourth grade consists of two classes, and the teaching assistant will split time between both fourth grade classes. Job responsibilities include assisting the homeroom teachers by supporting students in the classroom and occasionally providing individual and small group assistance on school assignments. In addition, the role also consists of supervising students during lunch and recess. Candidates should have a commitment to Catholic education, and previous experience working with children is preferred. Successful candidates will have to pass a fingerprint/background check and take VIRTUS training.

Qualified candidates should submit their letter of interest, resume, and salary requirements to Jim Sterbenz, School Operations Administrator, at jsterbenz@smlschool.org.

Administrative Assistant

St. Mary of the Lakes School is seeking a part-time administrative assistant for the main office. The hours are Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The role reports directly to the school principal. He/she works in conjunction with the full-time administrative assistant, ensuring the main office and school run smoothly. He/she is responsible for supporting the full-time administrative assistant and is the primary backup when the full-time assistant is not available.

The part-time administrative assistant owns daily tasks such as overall student attendance, including late arrivals and early dismissals. He/she distributes key information to and from all respective classrooms. The part-time role provides student transportation forms. This includes processing new and returning student transportation forms to ensure they are complete and accurate.

The part-time administrative assistant supports the full-time administrative assistant as needed, including maintaining the main office school calendar, the faculty and staff calendar, the PTA calendar, and all other event calendars. In addition, the part-time administrative assistant role assists ongoing school communications through various communication vehicles and up-to-date email and phone distribution lists. The role provides assistance when needed, supporting regular school meetings, gatherings, school masses, and parent and/or faculty meetings. He/She assists in welcoming visitors and directs them as needed. Other "Ad Hoc" activities occur on a regular basis. The part-time assistant is expected to provide leadership and appropriately handle various tasks as they arise.

Candidates should have a minimum of 3-5 years of administrative experience in a school or business environment. Strong computer, oral, and written communication skills and exceptional "people skills" are required. The successful candidate will be subject to fingerprinting/background checks and will also have to attend virtus training.

Qualified candidates should submit their letter of interest to Jim Sterbenz, School Operations Administrator, at jsterbenz@smlschool.org. The position will be filled as soon as possible.

Vacation Bible School 2023

























Feed My Sheep Casserole Ministry

Casseroles are accepted year-round in the parish office Monday-Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (unless the office is closed for a holiday or holy day). Casseroles must be homemade and pre-frozen when delivered, as they are stored until the delivery volunteers can take them to the organizations this ministry supports.

Students can record three service hours per month for a donation. To receive service hours, students must be involved in the casserole's preparation.

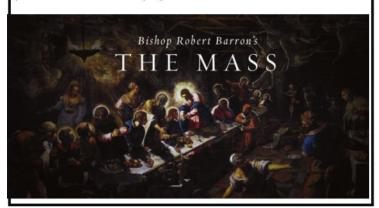
There are no dietary restrictions; we only ask that some protein be included in the casserole that you prepare. Students should record their time using the Mobile Serve App, which can be downloaded on a student's or parent's cell phone. Directions to download the app can be found by visiting www.smlparish.org on the YES page under the Faith Formation tab. Please obtain a signature in the app from the parish office admins or the youth minister when you drop off your donation.

BISHOP ROBERT BARRON'S FILM SERIES: "THE MASS"

Findings from recent studies indicate that less than one third of American Catholics hold the belief that the Eucharist truly is the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ.

In light of this crisis, Bishop Robert Barron joined forces with his fellow bishops to find a solution. Out of their discussions, the National Eucharistic Revival was born. In simple terms, the National Eucharistic Revival is a movement initiated by the US Conference of Catholic Bishops, aiming to rekindle a profound understanding and devotion to the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist.

To actively contribute to this revival, Word on Fire has made Bishop Barron's captivating film series, titled "The Mass," available for free viewing online! We encourage you to take advantage of this wonderful series. You may access "The Mass" through St. Mary of the Lakes' parish website homepage.



Legion of Mary & Traveling Pilgrim Virgin

If you desire to increase your spiritual life, our Blessed Mother is waiting for you at our Legion of Mary prayer group, which meets every Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. in the Emmaus Center. All are welcome.

The Traveling Pilgrim Virgin Statue of "Our Lady of

Fatima" is a source of many blessings.
Parishioners are encouraged to welcome the Blessed Mother into their homes for a week of praying the



Rosary for peace and vocations. Please call Teresa McHenry at 609-388-4528 and leave a voicemail.

Summer Bible Study Is Back

Now Meeting Monday evenings and on Tuesday mornings. (Meeting moved from Thursday evening)



Discover God's plan as it is expressed through the Bible and the liturgy. Join us for a six-lesson DVD study, "The Eucharist in Scripture," presented by Dr. Scott Hahn. Based on his best-sellers "The Lamb's Supper," "The Fourth Cup," and "Consuming the Word," this study will unlock the meaning of covenant, sacrifice, and sacrament as understood in the Bible, from Genesis through Revelation.

The study will be offered Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. and again on Tuesday mornings at 10:00 a.m. beginning July 10th and 11th.

The cost of the workbook is \$22.00 and includes streaming of the videos. Workbooks will be available for purchase in the parish office. Purchasing a workbook is suggested but not necessary to attend the study.

Contact Christine Brandt at cbrandt@smlparish.org or 609-654-8208, ext. 113, to register or if you have questions.

Sacristans Needed

Have you thought about joining a ministry but don't think you have the time? The Sacristan Ministry only requires about 15–20 minutes before Mass to set up for Mass and less than 10 minutes at the end to clear the sacred vessels from the sanctuary, rinse and dry them. Sacristans are needed for all Mass times; you choose which Mass time(s) you want and how often you want to serve. Training is provided.

If you are interested in learning more about this ministry, please contact Deacon Ed Mayer at lemayeriv@yahoo.com.

Becoming Catholic - R.C.1.A.

Are you—or anyone you know—interested in becoming a Catholic? Or, perhaps you are a Catholic but have not received the sacrament of Confirmation and desire to do so.

You are invited and welcome to attend the R.C.1.A. process here at St. Mary of the Lakes. R.C.1.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is a period of formation where we pursue the truths, teachings, and practices of our Catholic faith in an open forum with sound presentations and lively discussion.

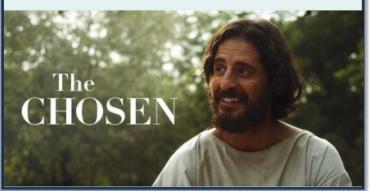
Each meeting is led by one of the members of the team. The R.C.I.A. process involves time not only for instruction but also growth in the practice of the faith through discussion and prayer.

R.C.I.A. will begin on September 10th. If interested in finding out more about the process, contact Christine Brandt at 609-654-8208, ext. 113, or cbrandt@smlparish.org.



Monday Afternoons Watching Season Three of "The Chosen"

"The Chosen" is currently a three season, twenty-four-episode series (with more episodes to come) portraying the life of Christ and His disciples. The series is non-fiction, making heavy use of the scriptures (mostly the Gospels with some Old Testament foundations) and fiction, which does not contradict scripture, but enhances what could possibly have been. Father Dan will begin showing Season Three, one episode per evening, followed by question/answer and discussion, on Mondays, 7/10, 7/17, 7/24, 7/31, 8/7, 8/14, 8/21 and 8/28 from 3:30-4:45 p.m. in the Emmaus Center. All are welcome. Please sign up at the Parking Lot Entrance.



Twenty-Second Visit to the Most Holy Sacrament

The Spouse in the sacred Canticles went about seeking for her Beloved; and not finding Him, she asked all whom she met: *Have you seen Him Whom my soul loveth?* [Cant, iii. 3] Jesus was not then on earth; but now, if a soul that loves Him seeks Him, she can always find Him in the Most Blessed Sacrament. The Venerable Father John Avila used to say, that amongst all sanctuaries he could neither find nor desire a more delightful one than a church in which the Most Blessed Sacrament is reserved.

O infinite love of my God, worthy of infinite love! And how couldst Thou, my Jesus, ever abase Thyself so far as, in order to dwell amongst men, and to unite Thyself to their hearts, to humble Thyself to such a degree as to conceal Thyself under the species of bread? O incarnate Word, Thou art supreme in Thy humility, because Thou art supreme in Thy love! How can I do otherwise than love Thee with my entire self, knowing as I do how much Thou hast done to captivate my love? I love Thee much; and therefore I give Thy good pleasure the preference above every interest and every satisfaction of my own. My pleasure is to give Thee pleasure, my Jesus, my God, my love, my all. Make me hunger to be continually in Thy Presence in the Blessed Sacrament, to receive Thee into myself, and to keep Thee company. I should be indeed ungrateful did I not accept so sweet and gracious an invitation. Ah, Lord, annihilate in me all affection for created things! Thou willest that Thou alone, my Creator, shouldst be the object of all my sighs, of all my love. I love Thee, most amiable goodness of my God. I ask nothing of Thee but Thyself. I desire not my own pleasure; Thy pleasure is all my desire, and sufficient for me. Accept, my Jesus, this good desire of a sinner who wishes to love Thee. Help me by Thy grace. Grant that I, a miserable slave of Hell, may from this day forward be the happy slave of Thy love.

Ejaculatory prayer. I love Thee, Jesus, my treasure, above every other treasure!



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Glory to God

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St. Mary of the Lakes This Week

Sunday, July 2nd

- KoC Patriotic Prayer Service / Following 9:00 a.m.
 Mass/ Church Lawn
- AA Meeting / 7:00 p.m. / Parish Meeting Room

Monday, July 3rd

Tuesday, July 4th

 Glory to God Prayer Group / 7:30 p.m. / Emmaus Center

Wednesday, July 5th

Thursday, July 6th

 Respect Life Ministry / 7:00 p.m. / Parish Office Conference Room

Friday, July 7th

Saturday, July 8th

Sunday, July 9th

- Seeking Christ / 9:00 a.m. / Emmaus Center
- Baptisms / 1:30 p.m. / Church
- AA Meeting / 7:00 p.m. / Parish Meeting Room

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