



Our Lady of the Lake & St. Ann

P A R I S H C O L L A B O R A T I V E

April 9, 2023 | EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD PASTOR: FR. RAJ J. NATHAN, MSFS

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reaching out to one another,
through prayer, service and friendship.*

Mass Times at Our Lady:

Saturday 4:30 pm

Sunday 8:00 am and 11:00 am

Daily Masses:

9:30 am - Mon - Wed - Fri

6:30 pm - Tuesday

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30 - 4:00 pm

30 minutes before weekday Mass

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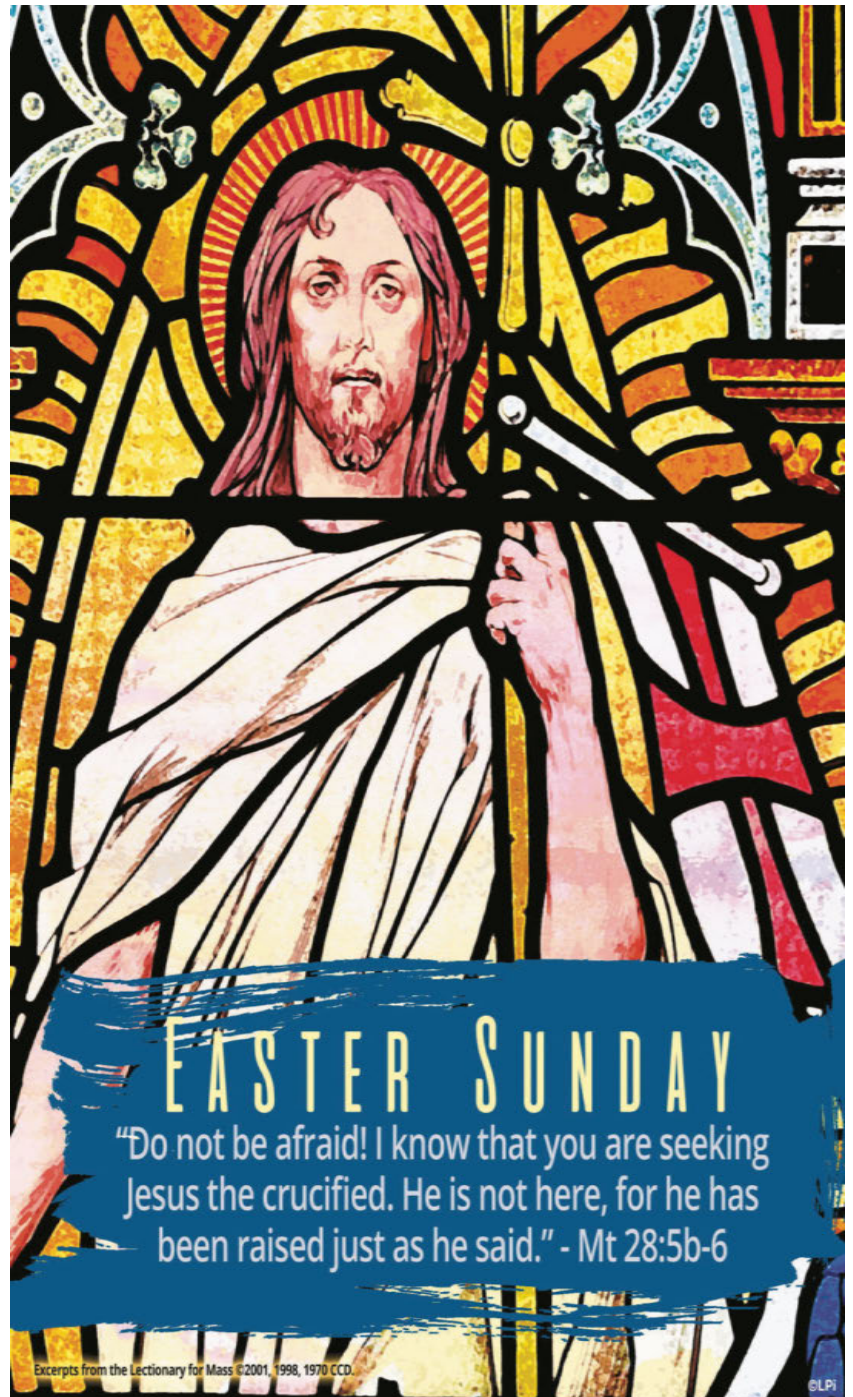
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Mass Times at St. Ann:

Sunday and Tuesday 9:30 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

30 minutes before weekday Mass



EASTER SUNDAY

“Do not be afraid! I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised just as he said.” - Mt 28:5b-6

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Bulletin Deadline for both Parishes: 9 am on Monday | submit to cantos2@comcast.net

FR. RAJ SHARES

HE IS TRULY RISEN ALLELUIA!

Dear Loving Parishioners,

Today, of course, is the most important day for us in the year. It is the celebration of the resurrection of Jesus from the dead. It is the beginning of a whole new way of looking at life and we, as Christians, look upon life no longer through our eyes, but through the eyes of the one who broke through the terror of death and into a new way of being.

Easter Sunday is the daytime celebration of the Resurrection of the Lord. The congregation is jubilant over the risen Christ and the triumph of his most holy Cross. The church is festively decorated. The vestments are white and gold. The Glory to God and the Alleluia are restored. The Creed is replaced with the renewal of baptismal promises, followed by a sprinkling rite. The church resounds with a joyful sound: *Jesus Christ is risen today! Alleluia!*

The first reading today is from the Acts of the Apostles, the witness of Saint Luke. This witness explains how the followers felt, how they seemed to lose all hope and only with the Resurrection were they able to understand to some extent the wonderful works of God.

The Resurrection transformed this band of followers into a group of people totally committed to proclaiming that Jesus is the Lord, even if everyone else doubted them or even made fun of them. They could now understand the Law and the Prophets and the Wisdom literature of their ancestors in the faith and see that all of that pointed to Jesus as Lord.

Great news cannot be contained: Share the Good News with someone! Jesus preached love, and he died out of love for us. On Easter Sunday go out of your way to love someone with all your might, because where there is love, there is the risen Christ!

Dear friends, we are given the invitation to make Christ present in our world today. He is not dead but is alive in each one of us. Can we be the Easter people spreading the good news to the whole world that Jesus is risen indeed? I pray that the risen Christ may bring peace and harmony into your families.

Wishing you all a grace-filled Easter. To one and all, I remain,

Fr. Raj MSFS



REMEMBER TO TAKE A "LITTLE WHITE BOOK"

As you continue your Easter journey, remember the story doesn't stop at Easter! Take a "Little White Book" at the church entrances of both Our Lady and St. Ann and continue with your meditation and scripture reflection. So many people have talked about how the "Little Black Book" has been a big part of their Lenten Journey. Let the "Little White Book" journey with you through the Easter Season!



WOOL MEETING

**Tuesday, April 11
7:00 pm**

**In the Narthex
(after 6:30 pm Mass)**

The Women Of Our Lady are invited to come and enjoy a mini-presentation on the Holy Spirit, followed by a brief business meeting on Tuesday, April 11 at 7:00 pm.

**The Spirit of the Lord
hath filled the whole
earth, alleluia!**



SPREAD CARE AND COMFORT

If you can tie a knot, you can help the Prayer Blanket/Shawl Ministry to share care and comfort. Prayer Blankets/Shawls have assisted so many beyond our parish communities. We are needing a few more blankets for the children in the hospital and those who stay in the Ronald McDonald House. Please consider making a blanket by using the take-home kit found near the Prayer Blanket/Shawl rack to help rebuild the supply.

OUR LADY OF THE LAKE MASS SCHEDULE

EASTER VIGIL

Saturday, April 8

9:00 pm | For the Parish

EASTER SUNDAY

Sunday, April 9

8:00 am | Easter Flower Memorial List

11:00 am | Bob Harvey

Monday, April 10

9:30 am | All Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, April 11

6:30 pm | William Becker

Wednesday, April 12

9:30 am | Bill Beaver, Sr.

Friday, April 14

9:30 am | 1st Friday Memorial List

Saturday, April 15

4:30 pm | Nelson Vogel, Sr.

Sunday, April 16

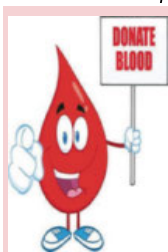
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11:00 am | For the Parish

OUR LADY PRAYER LIST

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Tim & Janice Ackerson, Bill LaBre, Christine Cobb, Marilyn Cobb, Ryan Clark, John Davis, Lenni DeCraene, Angela Evans, Tom Harvey, David & Karen Keck, Marilyn Mahon, Larry Nagy, Jamie Qualls, Vickie Quinlan, Jennie Streeter, Ryan Vogel, and all those in our prayer intention book!



Edwardsburg Blood Drive

Our Lady of the Lake
Mon., April 24

1:00 - 6:45 pm

redcrossblood.org

This Week at Our Lady

Saturday, April 8

11:00 am Easter Egg Hunt

11:15 am Blessing of the Easter Food

Monday, April 10

9:00 am Adoration/Confession

Tuesday, April 11

6:00 pm Rosary/Confession

7:00 pm Women (WOOL) Meeting

7:00 pm Cub Scouts

Wednesday, April 12

9:00 am Adoration/Confession

1:15 pm EFP Leadership Meeting

Friday, April 14

8:30 am Adoration/Confession

Saturday, April 15

3:30 pm Confession

Sunday, April 16

Donuts, Coffee and Conversation

9:30 am Religious Education

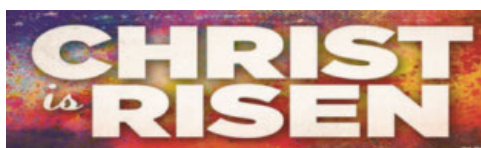
11:00 am Children's Liturgy of the Word



RICE BOWL DONATIONS

Please turn in your Lenten Rice Bowl donations this

week. The money we saved by "eating simply" during Lent will feed those who live in poverty. Your donation will help people in more than 100 countries who live in poverty. Plus, 25% of the funds received will stay in our area to help the underfed in the Diocese of Kalamazoo. Please make the check out to your parish and on the memo line write "Rice Bowl." Thank you for your generous support!



ST. ANN MASS SCHEDULE

EASTER SUNDAY

Sunday, April 9

9:30 am | Easter Flower Memorial List

Tuesday, April 11

9:30 am |

Sunday, April 16

9:30 am | Charley Daley

This Week at St. Ann

Tuesday, April 11

9:00 am Adoration/Confession

10:00 am Movie-No Escape

Sunday, April 16

After Mass Religious Education

ST. ANN PRAYER LIST

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Craig and Dana Higley, Nalia Morgado, Amy and Emily Moses, Larry Nagy, Ellen and Liam Olivio, Tony Rosser, Bud & Maryanne Scheibelhut, Dale Williams and all those in our prayer intention book!

WEBSITES:

Don't forget you can always "check us out" on the internet at:



www.stanncass.com

www.ourladyedwardsburg.org

At our parish websites, you will be able to find the parish calendars, Mass times, photos, bulletins and other important information about our parishes.

ST. ANN FINANCES

Fiscal Year July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

Budgeted Weekly Amount

.....\$2,480.00

Collection for March 26

.....\$1,800.00

Budgeted Weekly YTD

.....\$91,760.00

Total Actual Year To Date

.....\$90,691.26

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OUR LADY FINANCES

Fiscal Year July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

Budgeted Weekly Amount

.....\$7,200.00

Collection for March 26

.....\$6,267.75

Budgeted Weekly YTD

.....\$273,600.00

Total Actual Year To Date

.....\$266,342.65

<https://ourladyedwardsburg.org/donations-1>



UPDATES FROM FR. SWAMY ON SHANTHI DHAM:

I am excited to share some good news with you. We have received two important permits from the government. Awaiting one more permit. We should be able to break the ground as soon as we receive it. Meanwhile, I am working on finalizing the builder. I have received three bids. My provincial and his team will help me to choose the builder who is more cost effective and qualitative. God willing we should be able to break the ground after Easter. Thank you for your continued prayers, blessings, support and love.

AN INSPIRING EVENING

Over 150 people from many communities came to learn more of the Broken Mary story with guest presenter Kevin Matthews at Our Lady. We thank Ron and Theresa Merwin and The Women of Our Lady (WOOL) for sponsoring the evening as well as Mary Harvey and Kay Weber who assisted with the refreshments.



If you would like to learn more about the Broken Mary Story or how to pray the Rosary, go to www.brokenmary.com.



PRAYER INTENTION BOOK

A Prayer Intention Book is located by the baptistery at both St. Ann and Our Lady churches. It is in this book that the names of those we love and seek prayers for can be shared. You are invited to add your personal prayer intentions for yourself or for a loved one at any time. The prayer intentions written in these books will be prayed for every week with a general intercession during our Masses. You are also welcome to call or email the office and the staff will add your intention to the Prayer Intention Book.

THANK YOU LENTEN SOUP MAKERS

Our Lady of the Lake would like to thank all the different ministry groups who made soups for our Friday night Lenten Soup Suppers. It was a great way to gather and share a meal with the faith community before praying the Stations of the Cross together. We appreciate the Worship Committee, Hospitality Committee, Religious Education Catechists, Funeral Luncheon Committee, and the Women of Our Lady (WOOL) for sharing their cooking talent.



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IT'S OUR JUBILEE YEAR! LET'S MAKE IT ONE TO REMEMBER!

Our Lady of the Lake's Jubilee Planning Committee has been busy for a couple of months, however they could use your assistance. In June, the Parish will celebrate with a special Mass with Bishop Bradley, assisted by priests from the Diocese and the surrounding area. Parishioners, both past and present, along with the Edwardsburg community will come together to celebrate 100 years. Throughout the year, there will be activities and additional events to help commemorate this special year. An Anniversary Book is being planned. In addition to the events, some fundraising will need to take place, allowing for the ability to truly make this a year to remember.

Please join us for our kickoff event by planning to participate on April 29th at the Cent'chili'an Cook-off. Or consider donating an auction item. We are looking for a double air fryer, gift certificate for four rounds of golf at one of the nearby courses, signed memorabilia, concert or theatre tickets or any other items valued at \$25 or more.

Together we will make our Jubilee Year a Celebration to Remember!



WE'RE COOKING UP A FUN EVENING - KICKING OFF OUR LADY'S 100TH ANNIVERSARY YEAR!

CENT 'CHILI'AN COOK-OFF
APRIL 29 AT 5:30 PM
OUR LADY SOCIAL HALL

Bring the entire family; Invite your Neighbors & Friends!
Enter your Chili in the Cook-Off
(Cash Prizes awarded to Top 3 Chefs)
Silent Auction, Interactive games, Kid-friendly food available
Free-Will Donations for the Chili Dinner



THE EDWARDSBURG FOOD PANTRY THANKS YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

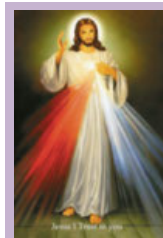
The Lenten Hygiene Drive hosted by our Religious Education families was a big success. Many personal care items were gathered that will serve the needs of our neighbors. The Food and Funds drive collected \$2,650 for the pantry to use towards food, utility assistance and gasoline vouchers. In three months, the pantry has had 500 visits which is one-half the visits they had for the entire last year. The need from our community has been great this year and your donations will help those who are facing difficult times. Your generosity is deeply appreciated.

DIVINE MERCY - NO ESCAPE

ST. ANN APRIL 11
AT 10:00 AM



Everyone from the parish collaborative is invited to see this movie of how a young nun's compassion reaches beyond her to touch all generations. The tenderness of Sister Maria Faustina's heart toward her mission is a story worth hearing over and over again. Come enjoy this movie at St. Ann on Tuesday morning April 11 after the 9:30 am Mass. The running time is just 45 minutes. Coffee and pastries will be available and we will end with praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet.



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

A Divine Mercy Mass will be celebrated on Mercy Sunday, April 16, 2023 at St. Matthew Cathedral, South Bend at 3:00 pm. Before Mass there will be Confessions and Eucharistic Adoration from 1:30-2:30 and the Divine Mercy Chaplet from 2:30-3:00 pm.



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