



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

JANUARY 14, 2024 | SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PASTOR: FR. RAJ J. NATHAN, MSFS

2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

John was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, "Behold the Lamb of God." The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus.

-Jn. 1:39a

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass

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

WELCOME

Mass Times: Our Lady

Saturday 4:30 pm
Sunday 8:00 am & 11:00 am

Daily Masses:

9:30 am: Mon. - Wed. - Fri.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sat. 3:30 - 4:00 pm
30 min. before weekday Mass

Adoration:

M-W-F before Mass

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Mass Times:

Sunday & Tuesday 9:30 am

Adoration and Confession:

Tuesdays 9:00 am

Rosary: Tuesdays 10:00 am

Welcome Visitors & New Parishioners

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

FR. RAJ SHARES

Dear Loving Parishioners,
Greetings of love and peace from Fr. Raj. First and foremost I wish you all a Happy New Year and may all the best things in life come your way in this New Year 2024.

We just encountered “Emmanuel, God with us” at His birth in the manger and continued to have God experience through many solemnities and feast days of saints in these days of the Christmas season. We are again entering into the ordinary season of the liturgical calendar. When we say ordinary, it does not mean that this season has lesser value than the other seasons. All the seasons are equally important in our spiritual journey to reach the realization of our union with God.

This experience and the realization of God does not occur in a particular event or situation, but it is in an

ongoing search for God that we come to know Him. And that is the call given to us in the readings of this weekend. God gives an opportunity to see and to be with Him when we look for Him where He stays.

At this time after the meaningful celebration of Christmas, I would like to acknowledge the contributions of many persons for the above mentioned: the staff, worship committee, decoration group, sacristans, ushers, altar servers, cantors, Eucharistic ministers, lectors, music director and singers. Your service and sacrifices do not go in vain. I pray that God will bless you with many blessings of good health of body and mind.

Wishing you all a Happy New Year and assuring you all of my prayers, I remain,

Fr. Raj, MSFS

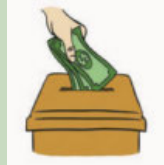


THANK YOU FOR YOUR MINISTRY

What a wonderful Christmas season we had within our collaborative. St. Ann

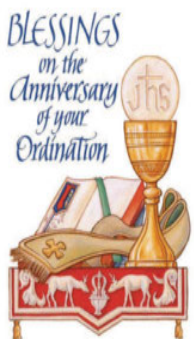
and Our Lady offered many beautiful liturgies and with the help of many volunteers and permission from the Bishop we were able to offer both the Body and Blood of Christ. Thank you to all of those who stepped forward to assist. At this time both churches will return to offering the Body of Christ only.

ANNUAL DONATIONS AT OUR LADY



We thank those families that give a one-time yearly donation to the churches. Your donations along with the weekly donations help ensure that we can administer the Sacraments to the faithful as well as help to nurture, educate and grow in our love for Jesus Christ. The Annual donations have a separate budget line at Our Lady and we are thankful that we have received over \$21,000 this fiscal year. These funds are not a part of the budgeted weekly amount reported in the bulletin. Most of these donations come through an IRA diversification plan or a Charitable Organization like Vanguard Charitable or Fidelity Trust.

We appreciate all donations and want you to keep up the good work. By the grace of God, we will meet the weekly budget and everything will go on smoothly.



Congratulations Fr. Raj!

On Thursday, January 18, Father Raj celebrates the 17th anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood.



Good and gracious God, we thank You for Fr. Raj's 17 years of service and ask you to bless him and all that he does! Amen.

OUR LADY OF THE LAKE MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 13

4:30 pm | Eugene Dobransky

Sunday, January 14

8:00 am | Richard DeSchepper

11:00 am | For the Parish

Monday, January 15

9:30 am | Doug Weber

Wednesday, January 17

9:30 am | All Souls in Purgatory

Friday, January 19

9:30 am |

Saturday, January 20

4:30 pm | Adeline DeSchepper

Sunday, January 21

8:00 am | Mark Sedlar

11:00 am | Linda DeBroka

OUR LADY PRAYER LIST

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Tim & Janice Ackerson, Marilyn Cobb, Ryan Clark, Dale Deditch, Lenni DeCraene, Dorothy Derringer, Maryann Dobransky, Ed Drone, Bob & Eva Jenkins, Bobbie Klimek, Theresa Miller, Frank Napowocki, Debra Swiental, Ryan Vogel, and all those in our prayer intention book!



Children's Liturgy of the Word takes place at 11 am Mass on January 14th at Our Lady!

OUR LADY FINANCES

Fiscal Year July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024

Budgeted Weekly Amount	
Collection for December 31	\$6,400.00
Collection for January 7	\$5,582.38
	\$6,478.13
Budgeted Weekly YTD	
Total Actual Year To Date	\$179,200.00
	\$168,061.26

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

100-Year \$100,000 Campaign

\$42,243.66

This Week at Our Lady

Saturday, January 13

3:30 pm Confession

Sunday, January 14

Donuts, Coffee and Conversation

9:45 am Religious Education

11:00 am Children's Liturgy of the Word

Monday, January 15

Office Closed

9:00 am Adoration/Confession

Tuesday, January 16

7:15 pm Finance Council Meeting

Wednesday, January 17

9:00 am Adoration/Confession

Friday, January 19

9:00 am Adoration/Confession

Saturday, January 20

3:30 pm Confession

Sunday, January 21

Donuts, Coffee and Conversation

9:30 am 1st Communion Parent Meet

9:45 am Religious Education

11:00 am RE Mass



Adoration and Confession

Come prepare your hearts and minds before attending Mass. Thirty minutes

before each weekday Mass at both parishes, Fr. Raj will expose the Blessed Sacrament for Adoration. Fr. Raj will also be in the confessional for anyone who would like to go to confession. This is a great opportunity to strengthen your relationship with the Lord.



ST. ANN MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, January 14

9:30 am | Dale Williams

Tuesday, January 16

9:30 am |

Sunday, January 21

9:30 am | Nick Nicolini

This Week at St. Ann

Tuesday, January 16

9:00 am Adoration/Confession

10:00 am Rosary

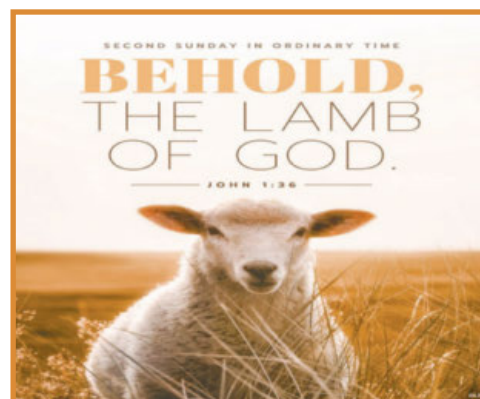
Sunday, January 21

9:30 am Rel. Ed Mass and Class

ST. ANN PRAYER LIST

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Mary Fenech, Mary Fosdick, Frank & Vickie Kalina, Gene Karnes, Michael Lasiewicz, Monica (Mickie) Miller, Carla Novotny, John Palmer, Vance Stratton, Betty Van Lue, Margaret (Peggy) Wilds and all those in our prayer intention book!



ST. ANN FINANCES

Fiscal Year July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024

Budgeted Weekly Amount	
Collection for December 31	\$2,330.00
Collection for January 7	\$7,306.00
(Includes Annual Donations)	
Collection for January 7	\$2,464.00
Budgeted Weekly YTD	
Total Actual Year To Date	\$65,240.00
	\$71,436.00

Give online at: stannmass.com



YOUR PRAYERS AND ACTIONS ARE REQUESTED TO HELP PROTECT AND SUPPORT HUMAN LIFE

Beginning January 21st, our collaborative will offer several ways for you to support the Sanctity of Human Life.

- Join **St. Ann** prayer group to pray the Rosary on **Sunday, January 21 at 10:30 am**. This rosary will be prayed for all those affected by abortion and those who chose to give life in difficult situations.



- Come to **Our Lady** for Mass on **Monday, January 22 at 9:30 am**. January 22 is designated as the day of prayer and penance for Catholics in the United States, called the “Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children.” The day is observed as a day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion.

- Donate diapers and baby wipes to assist families in need. Leave the items in the gathering space at either Our Lady or St. Ann between January 14 and January 28. Donations will be given to League for Encouraging Empowerment in Cassopolis and the Edwardsburg Food Pantry.



9 DAYS FOR LIFE NOVENA - JAN. 16 - 24, 2024

9 Days for Life is a novena for the protection of human life. Each day’s intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life. Sign up for the novena at www.9daysforlife.com.

RIGHT TO LIFE SANCTITY OF LIFE SERVICE

January 22 at 6 pm
Grace Bible Church
412 E. State St. Cassopolis

Now is the time for all Pastors and Christian people to unite our prayers and beg God to turn the hearts of His people back to Him. The Cass County Right to Life - Sanctity of Life Ecumenical Service this year will be at Grace Bible Chapel. It will be held on Sunday, January 21, 2024 at 6:00 pm. This will be a Memorial Service with music and refreshments. All are welcome to participate.

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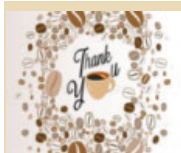
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ENJOYABLE BREAKFAST AT ST. ANN

St. Ann had a wonderful breakfast this past Sunday and thanks everyone who assisted. There was a variety of delicious foods to enjoy. The hall was filled with laughter and chatter. A special thanks to those who took down and packed away the Christmas decorations. What a wonderful way to end the Christmas Season.

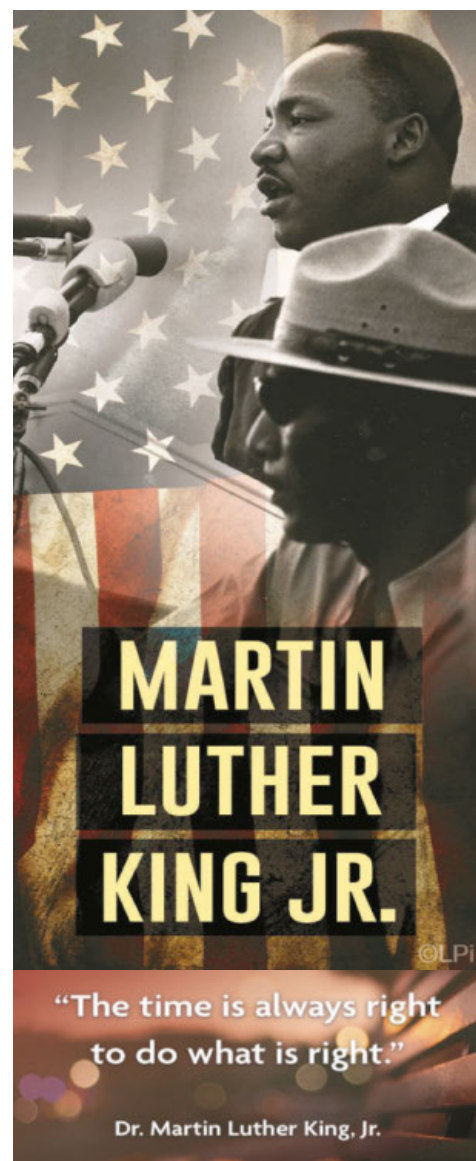
Thank you to everyone who helped put away the Christmas decorations at both St. Ann and Our Lady. Many hands made light work.



There are still a few poinsettias in the back of Our Lady that need a new home.

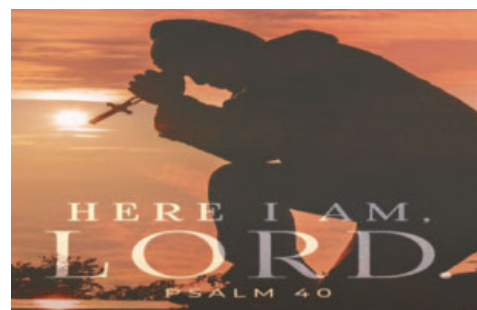
If you have a food pantry to donate to, you might find this handy.

1. Everyone donates Kraft Mac & Cheese in the box. But it needs milk & butter which are hard to get from food banks.
2. Boxed milk is a treasure. Kids need it for cereal, which they get a lot of.
3. Everyone donates pasta sauce & spaghetti noodles.
4. Canned foods should be pop tops OR donate can openers.
5. Oil is a luxury needed for Rice-a-Roni which they get a lot of.
6. Spices, salt & pepper are a real gift.
7. Tea bags & coffee are caring gifts.
8. Sugar & flour are treats.
9. Fresh produce, donated by farmers & grocery stores is important.
10. Seeds are great in spring & summer because growing can be easy for some.
11. Rarely is there fresh meat.
12. Tuna & crackers make a good lunch.
13. Hamburger Helper goes nowhere without ground beef.
14. They get lots of peanut butter and jelly but NEED sandwich bread.
15. Butter and margarine are good.
16. Eggs are a commodity!
17. Cake mix & frosting makes it possible to make a child's birthday cake.
18. Dishwashing detergent is very expensive & is always appreciated.



HOSPITALITY MEETING JANUARY 22 AT 1 PM OUR LADY OF THE LAKE

The Hospitality Committee will meet on Monday, January 22nd at 1:00 pm. All are welcome to attend.





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