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Liturgical Celebrations

Lord's Day Masses:

Saturday: 5PM

Sunday: 8AM, 9:45AM, 11:45 AM

Daily Mass: 8AM (M, T, W, F)

Communion Service: 8AM (Thursday)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

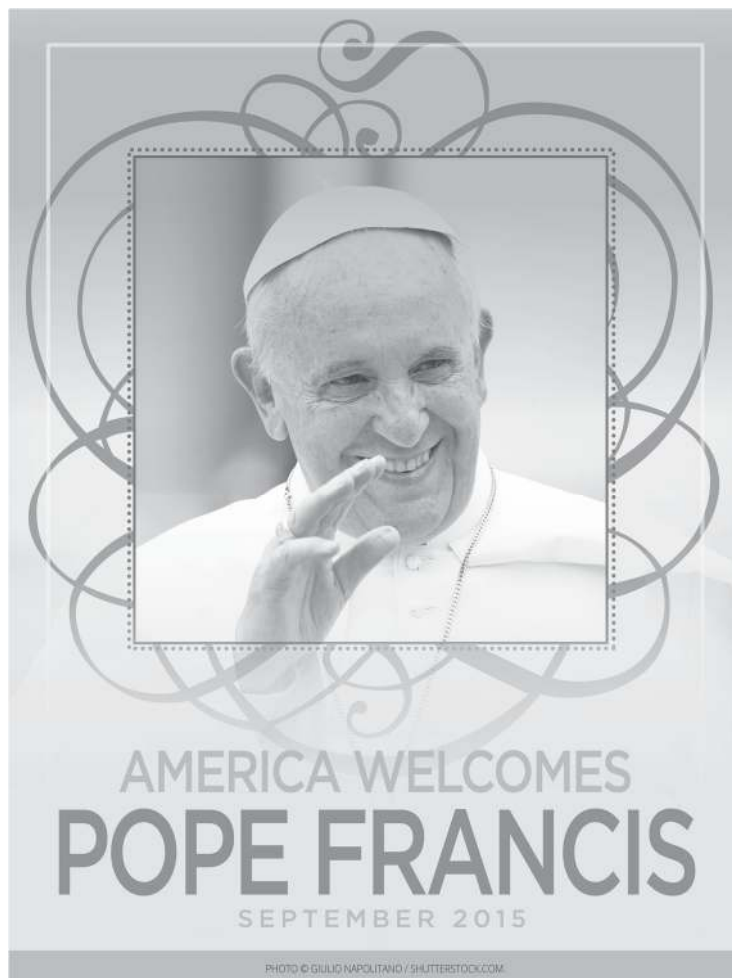
Every Saturday at 4PM and by appointment anytime.

Safe Environment Notice

Our parish follows the guidelines of the national charter for the protection of children and young people approved by the US Bishops and Dioceses of Worcester policies. Contact Frances Nugent, Victim Services, at a direct and confidential telephone line: **508-929-4363**.

Lisa Sciacca is our parish's Safety Environment Coordinator.

Please pray for our parishioners who are in Philadelphia for the Papal Pilgrimage this weekend, that they may travel safely and be touched by the wisdom and love of our Holy Father Francis in his first visit to the USA. Watch our website for pictures.



During the historic visit of Pope Francis to the United States, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops offered **live-stream free online video and on demand** coverage of papal events.

- *All events will be live streamed in English with audio commentary from the USCCB website:*
<http://www.usccb.org/live>
- *All events are available for video on demand shortly after their conclusion.*
<http://www.usccb.org/about/leadership/holy-see/francis/papal-visit-2015/papal-visit-2015-video-on-demand.cfm>
- *Mobile smartphone or tablet:* You can watch all live-streaming and video on demand as well as up to the minute news and photos from the USA Catholic Church app available for iOS and Android. You can download the app for free by visiting **www.USACatholic.Church** on your smartphone or tablet.



Mass Intentions



SEPTEMBER 26TH - OCTOBER 04TH

26TH SATURDAY *Saints Cosmas and Damian*

5:00 PM Cheryl Harvey
Bruce Loiselle

27TH SUNDAY *26th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM Duane Rockafellow
Patricia Smith

9:45 AM People of our Parish
11:45 AM Msgr. Rocco Piccolomini

28TH MONDAY *Saint Wenceslaus*

8:00 AM Msgr. Rocco Piccolomini

29TH TUESDAY *Sts Michael, Gabriel, & Raphael*

8:00 AM Kathy Sheppard-Boutwell
Theresa Perry

30TH WEDNESDAY *Saint Jerome*

8:00 AM Msgr. Edmond Tinsley
Sr. Mary Jerome, PBVM

01ST THURSDAY *Thérèse of the Child Jesus*

8:00 AM Communion Service

02ND FRIDAY *Holy Guardian Angels*

8:00 AM Elizabeth Bergquist, 16th Anniversary

03RD SATURDAY

5:00 PM Ed and Doris Kukkula
Rosemary Kornik

04TH SUNDAY *27th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM Malcolm Leger, 4th Anniversary
Florine Leger
9:45 AM For our Catechists and their intentions
Anthony Latino, Month's Mind
11:45 AM Stephen Cabrinety, 20th Anniversary
Sister Anne Harrington, PBVM,
6th Anniversary.

Please remember in your prayers:

Monsignor Rocco Piccolomini,
Monsignor Edmond Tinsley, and
Vincent Manduca, Sr., father of
parishioner Vincent Manduca, Jr. May
they rest in peace and may their
families find comfort from their faith in
Jesus Christ.



From the
Pastor's
Desk

Please join us at the **Open House** at the new rectory after each of the Masses this weekend, **September 26th/27th**. Hopefully the weather will cooperate so that we can have light refreshments after the 5PM Mass Saturday and coffee/donuts after the morning Masses Sunday. Please feel free to come over and look around. Everyone is welcome.

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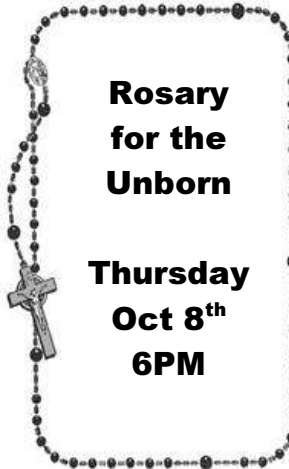
On **Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>**, **Bishop McManus** will celebrate the 5PM Mass here at Our Lady of the Lake. After Mass the Bishop will bless the Meditation Gardens (Jake and Joe Lutter's Eagle Scout Project), the restored Grotto, and the new rectory. Please join us in prayer and blessing on this happy occasion.

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After reading the yellow parish surveys and consulting with the Pastoral Council, we have decided to begin having a **5PM, Sunday evening Mass**. This Mass will begin on **Sunday, October 18th**.

Regie, our Director of Music, is making arrangements to provide music for this Mass and is looking for more cantors. *If anyone is interested in this ministry, especially our teens and young adults, please contact Regie as soon as possible at Ext. 142.* We also need lectors, altar servers, and Eucharistic ministers to serve at this Mass. Please contact Linda Williams, 978-534-3911, if you would be willing to help out at this Mass.

Father Dennis



**Rosary
for the
Unborn**

**Thursday
Oct 8th
6PM**

Please join us in prayer for the **Rosary for the Unborn** in the church. The rosary will be recited at Our Lady of the Lake on the *second Thursday* of every month.

Other Leominster parishes will also host monthly rosaries on different days. Dates and times will be posted in the upcoming weeks. We hope you will join our parish family in prayer for this special intention.

Next Weekend's Celebrants

OCTOBER 03rd, Saturday
5:00 PM Bishop Robert McManus

OCTOBER 04th, Sunday
8:00 AM Msgr. Jim Mongelluzzo
9:45 AM Fr. Dennis O'Brien
11:45 AM Fr. Carlos Ruiz



MINISTRIES IN ACTION



Our RCIA Program begins on *this* Tuesday, **September 29th** at 7:30PM. This is for all those who may be interested in learning more about becoming a Catholic. This may be someone who has never been baptized or has been baptized in another faith community. In addition, all baptized Catholics who have not received the sacraments of Eucharist or Confirmation are welcome to join.

We invite you to come and become a part of the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation). All are welcome to the first meeting on September 29th which will be held in the Saints Joachim and Anna Room, (Family Room). Contact **Joan Burns** for more information at 978-342-2978, Ext. 103.

BROWN BAG MINISTRY

The next BBM *meal prep* is **October 10th** for the Days Inn in St. Joseph's Hall and our parish Kitchen, 3PM.

Days Inn: OCT 10, NOV 14, DEC 12.

Our Father's House: OCT 17, NOV 21, DEC 19.



Sign up to help through Sign Up Genius. The link is on our website now: www.ourladylake.org.

Elaine Hackett and Cathy Pimley will begin a 6-week **Bereavement Support Group** in the Saints Joachim and Anna Room (Family Rm) of the Parish Center starting on Wednesday, October 14th. We will meet each of the following evenings, 7PM-8:30PM:

Wednesday, Oct 14	Thursday, Oct 22
Wednesday, Oct 28	Wednesday, Nov 04
Wednesday, Nov 11	Thursday, Nov 19

Pre registration is required for group participation and registration is limited. Please call Elaine at 978-345-6826 by October 5th to register or email Elaine at: mhackett1@verizon.net.



Come join us for the *second* part in our 3-part series as we once again explore and begin the conversation on end-of-life decisions. All sessions are held on Wednesday evenings from 7PM-8:30PM in the St. Katherine Drexel Room, M8.

Medical Care Planning October 21st
Financial Care Planning November 18th

You're never too old or too young to begin this process. **Contact Rosemarie Andrews at 978-597-6289 or email: randrews@prospeed.net**

Food Pantry News

Your generosity has helped many people. During the week of **September 21st**, 30 bags of food were given out.

Food Donations are *always* welcome to replenish our Food Pantry.



ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The Diocese of Worcester Presents

"A Cursillo Day Of Renewal ~ Love Your Catholic Faith" on **Saturday, October 3rd**, 10AM-3:30PM, at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church Hall, Worcester.

We are featuring two dynamic & inspirational speakers, music, lunch & raffles! Tickets are \$15 **before SEPT 21st** and \$20 after. To purchase tickets and/or for more information, contact Dave Tittle at 774-230-3502 or at dtsoulseeker@gmail.com.

TAKING TIME OUT OCTOBER RETREATS

"Cling to Nothing," a *Spirituality for Everyday Living* mini-retreat on the theme of *letting go* will be held on **Wednesday, OCT 14**, at Sacred Hearts Retreat Center in Wareham, 10AM -12:30PM. Cost is \$20. To register, contact Peggy. Pre-registration required.

"All Is Well," a women's mid-week retreat will be held **OCT 20-22**, at La Salette Retreat Center in Attleboro. To register, call La Salette at 508-222-8530.

For more information on the following retreats led by Peggy Patenaude of *Taking Time Out* contact Peggy at 508-548-9149 or timeoutretreats@comcast.net.

SEEKING CARING, COMPASSIONATE VOLUNTEERS

HealthAlliance Home Health & Hospice is offering a free hospice volunteer training course October 6th, 8th, 13th and 15th, 9AM-11:30AM. The training includes onsite classes with an online computer component. Be part of a special team that offers support and companionship to someone coping with a terminal illness. Please contact Nancy Sorbo, volunteer coordinator at 978-798-3178 or email nsorbo@healthalliance.com to learn more.

A public meeting for all constituents in the Worcester & Middlesex district and the general public will be held at the Leominster VFW (100 West Street) on **Wednesday, September 30th**, 7PM. **This educational program will present information on bill H.1991** "An act affirming a terminally ill patient's right to compassionate aid in dying." *This bill, currently in the legislature, would legalize doctor-prescribed suicide in Massachusetts.* The legal and medical implications for individuals and the health care system in general will be discussed. Come see how you can save lives.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Ed Calendars have been mailed. If you have not received a Calendar with labels for your child's class day and time, please come in to pick one up and confirm that you have registered.

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High School I students and parents will meet on Sunday, October 4 at 1PM.

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Religious Ed Classes for Grades 1-8 begin on Monday, September 28 and Tuesday, September 29.



If you have not yet registered, we will be unable to place your child in a class on opening day. Please fill out a registration form now and we will place your child in class by October 5.

There will be a brief meeting for all parents in the church at 4:45PM for Grades 1-5 and at 7:30PM for Grades 6-7-8. Parents who have children in both the afternoon and evening sessions, need only attend one of the parent meetings.

ARE YOU THINKING OF A TEACHING MINISTRY?

You Can Support Our Teachers! We would love to have a few more substitute teachers for our children in Grades 1-5 on Mondays and Tuesdays from 4:15-5:15 PM and for Gr. 6-7-8 on Monday nights from 6:45 - 8 PM.



If you are interested in teaching but can't commit to weekly classes, this ministry allows you the freedom to day yes or no depending on your schedule! Please call the Religious Ed office for more information.

HAVE YOU BEEN AWAY FROM CHURCH FOR A WHILE? WELCOME BACK!

We do have classes available on all grade levels for children who have had little or no formal religious education, but who would like to get "caught up." If you would like more information, we would be happy to answer any questions you might have. Now is the time to be welcomed! Call 978-342-2978, Ext. 4.



Please claim all **Lost and Found** items at the back of the church. We have quite a collection of items, please take a look to find what you may not know you have lost!

Safe Environment Training

New this year, the Diocese is offering on-line Safe Environment Training.

To participate in this program, please contact Lisa Sciacca at Lsciacca@ourladylake.org to provide her with your email address. She will then contact the Office for Healing and Prevention. Within 2-3 days, you'll receive an email from Cathaleen Pelloquin from the Worcester Diocese, with the link for you to use to take the online course. (If you don't get it, check your spam folder to make sure it didn't get sent there!) Then you just click on the link and take the course at your convenience. At the end of the program, you'll take a quiz to see what you've learned. Upon completion, you will see a certificate that you can print out. You can forward that to Lisa directly, or bring her a paper copy, so that it can be put in your permanent record. If you cannot access this on-line program, we are offering one training day here at OLL on **Tuesday, October 27th, 7-9 PM**, in the St. Katherine Drexel Room (M8).

Each year a new CORI form, with a copy of your current driver's license attached, must be submitted. Please contact our **Safe Environment Coordinator, Lisa Sciacca**, at **978-345-7469** with any questions concerning your compliance with these mandates.

St Peter Marian Guardian Golf Classic

Blackstone National Golf Club

Friday, Oct 2nd, 12 noon (Shotgun Start)

\$125 per Golfer or \$475 per foursome

The SPM Athletic Department will be sponsoring the annual SPM Guardian Golf Classic as part of the 2015 Homecoming weekend! All proceeds will benefit the St. Peter Marian Athletic Department and all are welcome to play.

Please contact Pete Jones, SPM Athletic Director @ jonesp@spmguardians.org or 508-852-5555, Ext.115, if interested.

Notre Dame Academy Open House October 8th, 7PM

All girl students currently in Grades 5,6,7, & 8 are encouraged to attend the open house. Notre Dame Academy's Entrance Exam for applicants will be held on **Saturday, November 7th, 8:30AM**. Pre-registration is encouraged for the Open House and is required for the Entrance Exam.

Please contact the Office of Admissions at 508-757-6200, Ext 229, or email admissions@nda-worc.org. NDA is the only Catholic private and independent college preparatory school for young girls in grades 9-12 in Central Massachusetts. Visit their website to learn more: **www.nda-orc.org**

SEPTEMBER 26/27, 2015



PAPAL VISIT TO THE USA

Papal Weekend Itinerary

Saturday, September 26

- **08:40AM** Departure from JFK Airport
- **09:30AM** Arrival at Atlantic Aviation, Philadelphia
- **10:30AM** Mass at Cathedral Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul, Philadelphia
- **04:45PM** Visit to Independence Mall
- **07:30PM** Visit to the Festival of Families Benjamin Franklin Parkway

Sunday, September 27

- **09:15AM** Meeting with bishops at St. Martin's Chapel, St. Charles Borromeo Seminary
- **11:00AM** Visit to Curran-Fromhold Correctional Facility
- **04:00PM** Mass for the conclusion of the World Meeting of Families, Benjamin Franklin Parkway
- **07:00PM** Visit with organizers, volunteers/benefactors of the World Meeting of Families, Atlantic Aviation
- **08:00PM** Departure for Rome



Members of **Saints Francis & Therese Catholic Workers** will be here *next* weekend, **October 3rd/4th**, with their **homemade baked goods**. The sale of their wholesome bread and muffins, made with organic ingredients, is the main source of income which supports their ministries. They shelter homeless men and women, and work for justice and peace. There is no set price for the bread as they prefer to depend on your generosity to carry on the works of mercy, please be a generous as you can.

St. Bernard Cemetery Lot and Columbarium Sale

St. Bernard Cemetery is having a sale on grave lots in the New Calvary Section through the end of October. Also, the newly constructed columbarium with niches has reduced prices. Please contact the Cemetery Superintendent, Ray Spagnuolo, at the Cemetery Office, 978-342-4820. All calls will be returned.

Weekend and after-hours appointments will be available.

Parish Support

SEP 19/20

170 Sunday Envelopes	\$ 4,573
33 Make Up Envelopes	\$ 1,064
3 Paid Ahead Envelope	\$ 45
Loose Cash	\$ 1,290
SUNDAY COLLECTION	\$ 6,972
Monthly Maintenance	\$ 177
Fuel	\$ 25

PARISH TITHE

Human Services	\$ 523
Food Pantry	\$ 174

THIS WEEK'S PARISH EVENTS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26th

- 06:00 PM Open House at New Rectory
- 07:30 PM AA Meeting

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27th

Open House at New Rectory after Masses

- 11:00 AM Grs1-5 New Teachers/Aides Meeting
- 03:30 PM BSA PLC Meeting
- 04:30 PM BSA Troop 12 Committee Meeting

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28th

- 04:15 PM Grs1-5 Religious Education Classes
- 06:45 PM Grs 6-8 Religious Education Classes

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29th

- 04:15 PM Grs1-5 Religious Education Classes
- 07:30 PM RCIA Classes

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30th

- 06:00 PM Cub Scouts Pack 3 Meeting
- 07:00 PM 12 Steps Meeting
- 07:00 PM Adult Folk Group Practice
- Men's Spiritual Study, CANCELLED

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 01st

- 09:00 AM Dominos
- 01:00 PM Prayer Shawl
- 07:00 PM Boy Scouts Troop 12 Meeting
- 07:00 PM Adult Choir Practice

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 02nd

- 04:15 PM Choir of Angels Practice
- 06:30 PM Jr. High Youth Group
- 07:30 PM Al-Anon Meeting

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 03rd

Catholic Worker Bake Sale After Mass

- 05:00 PM Mass with Bishop McManus, Blessing of Meditation Garden, New Rectory, and Grotto after Mass.
- 07:30 PM AA Meeting

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 04th

Catholic Worker Bake Sale After Masses

- 08:40 AM Kindergarten Class
- 09:45 AM Catechist Commissioning
- 01:00 PM HS I Parent/ Student Meeting
- 06:00 PM Confirmation Class.



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