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Second Sunday of Lent

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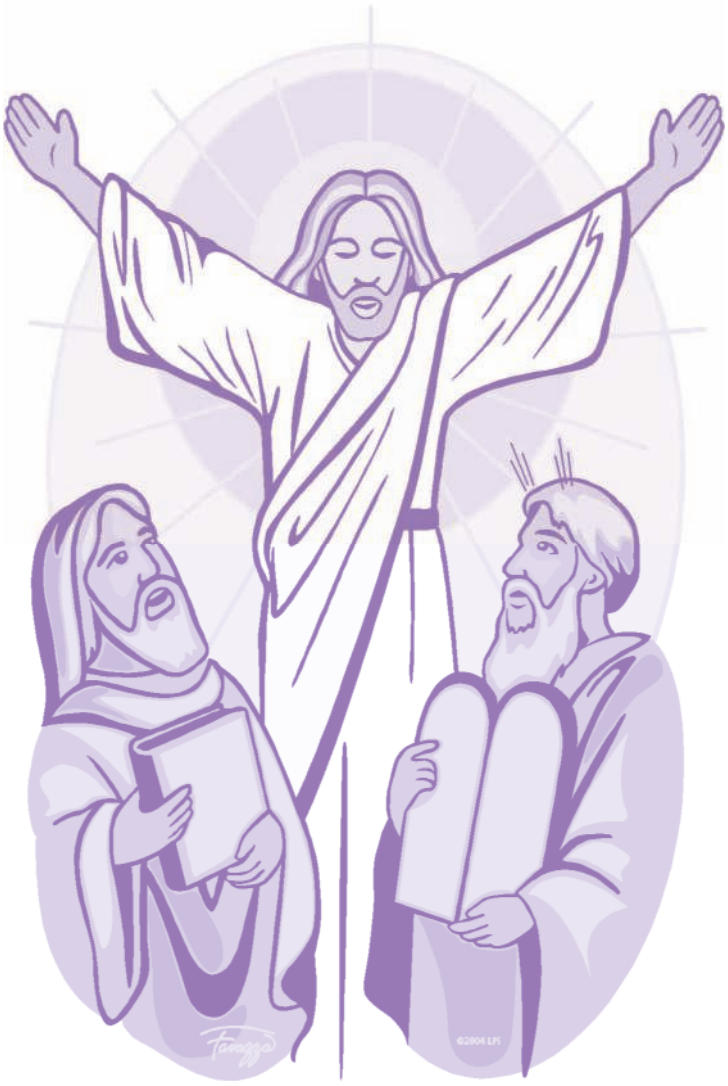
Liturgical Celebrations

Lord's Day Masses:
Saturday: 5PM
Sunday: 8AM, 9:45AM, 11:45AM, & 5PM
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 Victim Services at a direct and confidential telephone line at **508-929-4363.** Lisa Sciacca is the Safety Environment Coordinator at our parish.



"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him."

Mt 17:4-5

Mass Intentions

MARCH 11TH– MARCH 19TH

11TH SATURDAY
5:00 PM John and Barbara Bovenzi
Liisa Brown

12TH SUNDAY *Second Sunday of Lent*
8:00 AM Earle and Alice Whitney
9:45 AM William O'Brien
James Giacamuzzi
11:45 AM Maria G. Salamone, 2nd Anniversary
5:00 PM David Bonin
Sam Costa

13TH MONDAY
8:00 AM Robert Miln, 1st Anniversary
Christopher Norman

14TH TUESDAY
8:00 AM William O'Brien
Father John M. Magan, S.J.

15TH WEDNESDAY
8:00 AM Robert Gilhooly, 1st Anniversary
Liisa Brown

16TH THURSDAY
8:00 AM Communion Service

17TH FRIDAY *Saint Patrick*
8:00 AM Ellen Pliska Shannon, 6th Anniversary
Elizabeth Gilson

18TH SATURDAY
5:00 PM Rose Letarte

19TH SUNDAY *Third Sunday of Lent*
8:00 AM Father Daniel Driscoll
Father Ed Moran
9:45 AM Germaine O'Brien, 1st Anniversary
John Vorfeld
11:45 AM Sam Costa
5:00 PM Sister Grace Belforti, SSJ

ALL ARE WELCOME!

No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church, no matter what your current family or marital situation, no matter what your personal history, age, background, race, no matter what your own self-image: You are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved, and respected here at Our Lady of the Lake. If you are new to our parish, please contact the Parish Office to register as a new member of our parish family.

Our **Adult Faith Formation Series** begins this Wednesday at 7PM.

We are offering **MINI-COURSES on THREE DIFFERENT TOPICS**. You can choose the one that most interests you. Each course will meet on **Wednesday evening from 7-8:15PM on March 15th, 22nd, 29th, and April 5th.**

Mass will celebrated at **5:30PM** each Wednesday evening, and **soup and bread** will be available from **6-7PM**.

The topics are as follows:

Good News! Ordinary People are Using Non-violence to Change the World

Living a Spiritual Life Today

Living in a World of Difference: Meeting our Jewish and Muslim Neighbors

Use the enclosed insert to sign up for the course you would like to take.

Calling All Soup Makers

We are seeking **volunteers** to **prepare meatless soups** on the evenings of the Lenten Faith Formation series on **March 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th, and April 5th.** Please use the sign up sheets at the church entrances or contact **Wendy Chartrand charty1231@aol.com or at 978-621-0385.**

Celebrating 20 years of service to the wonderful people of Haiti!

MINISTRIES IN ACTION

BROWN BAG MINISTRY

The next **BBM** ***Meal Prep for Our Father's House*** will be held on **Sat., Mar. 25th at 3:00PM** in St. Joseph's Hall and our parish kitchen.

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

BBM ***Meal Prep*** dates are as follows: **Apr. 29th, and May 20th.**

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO CLEAN THE ALTAR SERVER ALBS BEFORE EASTER. PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE IF YOU CAN HELP. THANK YOU.

From Bishop McManus…..

This year the **Liturgical Memorial of St. Patrick, March 17th**, falls on Friday of the Second Week of Lent, a day of abstinence. In light of the number of inquiries about my granting a dispensation from the requirement to refrain from eating meat on the Fridays of Lent, I am granting a **diocesan-wide dispensation from the law of abstinence on Friday, March 17th, 2017**. I would ask the Catholic faithful who take advantage of this general dispensation to perform another act of penance on either the day before or after March 17, 2017.

Please keep the following individuals in your prayers as we pray for their recovery and well being.

Melissa Paradis	*Jack McCarthy*	*Velma Larose*
Linda Heir	*Joseph Meyers*	*Claire Ellis*
Nick Murphy	*Margaret Larkin*	*Scott Ellis*
Rebecca Smith	*Debbie Doyle*	*Meri Ammendolia*
Amdnda Kidwell	*Shea Sadonas*	*Tony Ammendolia*
Chris Foley	*D.J. Vachon*	*Bernice Crete*
Lana Leger	*Jay Burke*	*Mark Walsh*
Michael Larkin	*Jimmy Cameron*	*Ed Walsh*
Geri Phillips	*Robert Cormier*	*Ernie Ricci*
Christine White	*Christian Huvila*	*Barbara Tellier*
Janice Arsenault	*Margaret Miln*	*Ann Lastella*
Richard Hamel	*Dexter Turner*	
Jimmy Tresider	*Rita Tedd*	

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

First Eucharist Parent Child Meetings will be offered on **Sunday, March 12th from 1-3PM** and again on **Thursday, March 16th from 6:30-8:30PM** for parents and their children who will be celebrating First Eucharist in May. We will be making banners and choosing Liturgy times and roles at this very important meeting. You need only attend one of these two offered options.

Coffee Shop Help Needed! Everyone agrees that our Coffee Shop is a wonderful Sunday Morning community builder! After many years of dedicated service, **Tina Hebert** will be stepping aside as coordinator of our **Coffee Shop Ministry** at the end of May. Starting in September (after the bazaar) we will be in need of a person or persons who would be willing to set up the schedule and coordinate the volunteers, gained through the Religious Ed Program, and another person to pick up the donuts at the Leominster Dunkin Donuts and deliver them by 8-8:15AM each Sunday from mid September - end of May. We supply the cash payment. This is a perfect service opportunity for someone who routinely goes to the 8AM Mass! Please call Lisa at 342-2978, x109 if you can help. Thanks!

You can support our teachers!

In this season of flu and colds, we would love to have a few more substitute teachers for our children in Grades 1-5 on Mondays and Tuesdays from 4:15-5:15PM and for Grades 6-7-8 on Mondays nights from 6:45PM-8PM. Please call the Religious Ed office for more information.

WHAT IS A RICE BOWL?

CRS Rice Bowl is Catholic Relief Services' Lenten faith-in-action program for families and faith communities. Through CRS Rice Bowl, we deepen our personal experience of Lent, and hear stories from our brothers and sisters in need worldwide. We devote our Lenten prayers, fasting and gifts to transform the lives of the poor.

$1 a day for 40 days of Lent means…..
3 months of clean water for 4 families
2 years of seed for a farmer
1 month of food for a family

Fill your **CRS Rice Bowl** with dollars and coins for the **Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady**.

Other Faith Formation opportunities are also available in Leominster, Fitchburg, and Lunenburg:

St. Cecilia's
Bible Study with Father Bob
Thursdays at 7PM, on March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, April 6

Holy Family
Bible Study with Father Jose
Tuesdays of Lent at 7PM

Saint Anthony's
Father Leo will offer a course on the Eucharist.
Tuesdays, 6:45PM, on March 7, 14, 21, 28, April 4

Saint Leo's
Father Diego will offer a Life in the Spirit Seminar.
Thursdays, 6:30PM, on March 9, 16, 23, 30

Saint Boniface
Father Anthony will facilitate a course on Catholicism featuring DVD's with Bishop Robert Barron on Thursdays. For further info, please call St. Boniface.

RECONCILIATION

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated in Leominster at the following times during Lent.

Monday, 7-8PM:	**St. Leo's Church**
Tuesday, 7-8PM:	**St. Anna's Church**
Wednesday, 7-8PM:	**Holy Family Church (English & Spanish)**
4:30-5:30PM	**St. Cecilia's Church**
Friday, 6-7PM:	**St. Cecilia's Church**
7-8PM:	**Our Lady of the Lake (English & Spanish)**

LAST CALL ON LENTEN BOOKLETS! *They are on display at the entrances of the church and in the Parish Family Center. Books for children and young adults are at the St. Joseph Shrine in the Church.*

We encourage you to look them over and to choose what you think might be most useful for your Lenten journey.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays of Lent 7:00 PM

Good Friday, April 14th, Living Stations, 3 PM

CONFESSIONS

Fridays of Lent 7-8PM and Saturdays 4-4:45PM

ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES

17th Annual Diocesan Catholic Men's Conference at Assumption College

All men are invited to this important annual Conference, scheduled at Assumption College on **Sat., April 1st.** Hear dynamic talks from outstanding Catholic leaders: **Father Chase Hilgenbrinck, Shawn Carney**, **Chris Stewart**, **Tony Brandt**, **Joe Dittmar**, and **Jeff Cavins**. Bishops and diocesan and religious priests will be available to hear confessions throughout the day. Bishop McManus will offer Mass. For a Conference brochure, further information, or registration, call 508-929-4345. Visit our website - **www.firstmensconf.org** - for information and ticket purchases. Our parish contact is **Ed Sullivan, 978-537-6553 or cell 508-868-3278**. Scholarships are available for the conference. Please contact Father Carlos for more information.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY Our next meeting will be on **Monday, March 20th at 7:00PM** in the parish family center. Please note, we will not be meeting on **Monday, March 6th** due to the Parish Mission. All are welcome, and please bring your bible. Meetings are held on the first and third Mondays of each month**.** For more info please call **Lorraine Mendoza 978-582-4020 or Nancy Maciel 603-892-0763.**

Father Carlos' Pills of Faith
Second Sunday of Lent

"Abram went as the Lord directed him." Abraham surrendered entirely to the will of God, without hesitation he followed the voice of his Father. God is always calling us, instructing our hearts and showing us what to follow, where to go, and what to say. However, do we open our whole being to His word and grace? This second Sunday of Lent, Jesus calls us to go with him on a journey to the mountain of transfiguration. Our Lord wants to make us witnesses and sharers of his Glory. The invitation for us is to surrender entirely to the will of God and allow him to transform our hearts, to renew his saving grace within us. By small, loving acts of deep prayer, faithful fasting, and humble charity we transform ourselves and help others participate of the glory of God. Then we can say, "Lord, it is good that we are here!"

Thank you for your Parish Support!

March 5th, 2017

167 Sunday Envelopes	$ 5,491.
21 Make Up Envelopes	$ 682.
2 Paid Ahead Envelope	$ 447.
Loose Cash	$ 2,435.
SUNDAY COLLECTION	**$ 9,055.**
Monthly Maintenance	$ 530.
Parish Tithe	
OLL Human Services	$ 905.

Thank you for your continued generosity.

Next Weekend's Celebrants

SATURDAY, MARCH 18th
5:00 PM Father Carlos Ruiz

SUNDAY, MARCH 19th
8:00 AM Father Dennis O'Brien
9:45 AM Father Carlos Ruiz
11:45 AM Monsignor James Mongelluzzo
5:00 PM Father Dennis O'Brien

Food Pantry

Your generosity has helped many people! During the week of **March 5th, 24** bags of food were distributed.

Many thanks to all of our **music ministers** for the great job you did during our Parish Mission. Thank you for your dedication to this important ministry which continually enriches all of our celebrations. God bless you all!

Our Lady of the Lake Irish Celebration
Sunday, March 19th, 1:30-3:30PM

Featuring Ann O'Connell's Irish-American Dancers performance at 2:00PM

Please bring an appetizer to share and your own beverages (age appropriate, please), and we will supply the rest!

Questions? Or for more information, please contact Wendy Chartrand, **wchartrand@ourladylake.org**

THIS WEEK'S PARISH EVENTS

SATURDAY, MARCH 11TH
07:30 PM AA Meeting

SUNDAY, MARCH 12TH
08:30 AM Beginnings Class
11:00 AM Teen Music Ministry
01:00 PM Year 2 Parent/Child Meeting
06:00 PM High School I Class
06:00 PM RCIA

MONDAY, MARCH 13TH
04:15 PM Grades 1-5 Religious Ed Classes
06:45 PM Grades 6-8 Religious Ed Classes
07:00 PM Adult Folk Group Practice

TUESDAY, MARCH 14TH
04:15 PM Grades 1-5 Religious Ed Classes
04:15 PM Grades 6-8 Religious Ed Classes
06:30 PM Cub Scout Pack Committee Meeting
07:00 PM Bazaar Leadership Team Meeting

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15TH
05:30 PM Mass, Soup Supper & Mini Courses
05:30 PM Cub Scouts Pack 3 Meeting
07:00 PM 12 Steps Meeting

THURSDAY, MARCH 16TH
09:00 AM Dominoes
01:00 PM Prayer Shawl Meeting
06:00 PM Cub Scouts Pack 3 Meeting
06:30 PM Year 2 Parent/Child Meeting
06:30 PM Boy Scouts Troop Meeting
07:00 PM Adult Choir Practice

FRIDAY, MARCH 17TH
St. Patrick's Day
04:30 PM Choir of Angels Practice
07:30 PM Al-Anon Meeting

SATURDAY, MARCH 18TH
07:30 PM AA Meeting

SUNDAY, MARCH 19TH
08:30 AM Beginnings Class
11:00 AM Teen Music Ministry
01:30 PM Irish Celebration/Step Dancers
02:00 PM Infant Baptism Training
06:00 PM Confirmation Class
06:00 PM RCIA

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