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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**. The Safe Environment Coordinator at our parish is Lisa Sciacca.



Mission Statement

As a faith-filled Christian Community we are committed to building up the Body of Christ and strengthening the Kingdom of God. Through diverse ministries, we share our many gifts to respond to the needs within and outside our Parish Community. Confident in our strengths and aware of our weaknesses, we enter into collaboration with other communities to deepen our relationship with Jesus and one another. By fulfilling our pastoral, sacramental, and educational needs, we, as a Eucharistic Church, work to proclaim the message and presence of the risen Lord.

Sacrament of Baptism

Parents wishing to have their children baptized must attend an instruction which is offered once a month. Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

Sacrament of Marriage

The Sacrament of Marriage is celebrated following a program of marriage preparation. Please call the Parish Office at least one year in advance to make arrangements.

Ministry to the Sick and Elderly

Please notify us when a parishioner is homebound or hospitalized so that we may visit the person and offer the sacraments of the Church.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.)

If you are interested in the process of leading to membership in the Catholic Church, please contact the Parish Office.

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.*



Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, APRIL 28TH *Saint Peter Chanel*

5:00PM Jeffrey Gelinas, 5th Anniversary
Charles Paces

SUNDAY, APRIL 29TH *Fifth Sunday of Easter*

8:00AM Jacqueline L. Dumont
Denis Dillon, Jr., Bday Remembrance

10:00AM Dan and Marie Bell
Gail Garcia

12:15PM **Baptism:** Hunter Richard Chagnon

1:15PM **Baptism:** Greyson David Basilio

5:00PM Jane Gionet
Ann Lastella, 1st Anniversary

MONDAY, APRIL 30TH *Saint Pius V*

8:00AM Elsie Maria Nunez, Month's Mind

TUESDAY, MAY 1ST *Saint Joseph the Worker*

8:00AM

WEDNESDAY, MAY 2ND *Saint Athanasius*

8:00AM Judy Petkewich, 4th Anniversary

THURSDAY, MAY 3RD *Saints Philip and James*

8:00AM Communion Service

FRIDAY, MAY 4TH

8:00AM Henry Larose
Jane L. Gionet, Month's Mind

SATURDAY, MAY 5TH

5:00PM Leo Thibault, Jr., 11th Anniversary
Theresa Lane, 1st Anniversary

SUNDAY, MAY 6TH *Sixth Sunday of Easter*

8:00AM Ruthie Sullivan
Dan and Marie Bell

9:45AM Zachary Constant, Bday Remembrance
Palma Cote, 5th Anniversary

11:45AM Eleanor Cleary, 10th Anniversary
James Cleary, 5th Anniversary

5:00PM Jane Gionet

Dear Friends,

St. Paul. Just let that name roll around in your head for a bit. He is a Saint of the Church. He was a prolific traveler and writer, proclaiming the Good News wherever he went. He established Christian communities at Antioch, Philippi, Corinth, Ephesus and other places. He was shipwrecked three times and escaped from prison by being lowered to the ground in a basket made of reeds. Eventually he was brought to Rome to stand trial and was crucified or decapitated by the Roman Emperor, Nero. By any measure, he lived an amazing life preaching the gospel and making a living as a tent maker. However, if you remember from the Acts of the Apostles, Paul was a violent persecutor of the early Christian community and supervised the death, by stoning, of the deacon St. Stephen, the proto martyr of the church. So, knowing that part of his background, how ready would you be to trust his story of conversion and welcome him into your life? Right.

Modern society has made cynics of many of us. Trusting leaders of any kind has become a risky proposition. No one wants to place their faith and trust in another person or institution if there is the possibility of being disillusioned by them; it is a very painful experience. So what is a person, a Christian to do? Where do we go? As I wrote last week, Pope Francis says that, "Jesus never disappoints!" When we trust in something greater than ourselves, we know that it is worthy of our trust. Only God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit is greater than ourselves, and the Blessed Mother, of course. St. Paul finally realized that, as well as all the other saints, known and unknown to us. It is only trusting, together, that which is greater than ourselves can we begin to trust the love and mercy we have with one another.

I am grateful to all those who spoke to me last week after I spoke at all the masses regarding the pastoral dimensions of our financial situation. The weekly collection showed an increase of a little more than \$2,000 from the week before which brought us almost to the amount needed to meet our weekly obligations. I encourage everyone to pray about their involvement whether through Time, Talent, or Treasure at Our Lady of the Lake. Please trust that what God has planned for us is greater than we know if we only follow His voice. Peace, Fr. Michael



Please remember in your prayers:

Parishioner Norman Winchester

*May he rest in peace,
and may his family find comfort
from their faith in Jesus Christ.*

RELIGIOUS ED FAMILIES

***High School I Class on Sunday,
April 29th, 6-9PM.***



First Eucharist will be celebrated on Sat., May 5th at 11AM and Sun., May 6th during the 9:45AM liturgy. Children should attend the 4:15PM practice with a parent on Thurs., May 3rd for the Saturday 11AM Liturgy and Friday, May 4th for the Sunday 9:45AM liturgy. Readers and singers should arrive at 3:45 PM on the day of your practice. Please pray for our children and their families, that they may continue to be nourished by the Body and Blood of our Lord all through their lives.

Prayer Partners who would like to know which Liturgy your child your child will be celebrating can find the list on the window of the Religious Ed work office.

Father Carlos' Pills of Faith

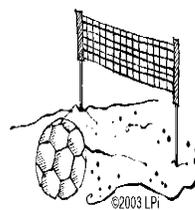


As we celebrate Parish Ministry Sunday, we gather as family of God to give thanks for the gift of life and the gift of ministry. In today's Gospel, Jesus invites us to stay with him, to receive from him, to be able to give to

others. Ministry is the fruit of the experience of Jesus who is our merciful God and loving shepherd. "Remain in me, as I remain in you. Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own unless it remains on the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in me." It is by walking with Jesus that we are strengthened and enlightened. It is Jesus who guides us and shows us the ways in which we can serve, and give to others. Each one of us is different and beautiful, each one of us has something to offer, talents to share. We have been called to be part of the family of God and bear fruit as ministers of his love, his presence, and healing power. "If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want, and it will be done for you." May Mary, Our Lady of the Lake, our mother, help us to reflect and share the beauty and kindness of the Risen Jesus.

Make-up Sessions for children who have missed four or more Religious Ed Classes: Parents have been notified and work has been sent home to be completed with your help in advance of coming in for the make-up session. **Grades 1-5, please come on either Monday or Tuesday (your choice) April 30th or May 1st during class time from 4:15-5:15PM.** If the make-up packet has been completed well at home, it often does not take the full hour to review work, so if parents are able to wait, you can leave as soon as your child is ready to go. **Grades 6-7-8, on Monday, April 30th, students will meet for the full time from 6:45-8PM,** which incorporates not only classroom teaching but also a small portion of the experience of prayer and reflection that is missed when a student is absent.

REGISTRATION! Especially in light of this year's transition, we would like to complete our registration process for the 2018-2019 school year before the summer break and while we still have clerical help, we are asking parents to register your children NOW. Registration forms may be picked up, completed and left for us on the table outside the Religious Ed. Office in the Parish Family Center. Each form is numbered as it comes in. Although we try to honor your choice, we can only guarantee your choice of day for the first 100 families. Early registration is to your advantage as parents retain the ability to make changes to your choice of day up until mid-August should your schedule change later on in the spring. Questions? Please call the Religious Ed Office.



As the Religious Ed. year closes, there is still an exciting opportunity for our high school kids to gather as a community: **Summer Co-ed Volleyball League.** Matches are on six consecutive Tuesday nights starting in July. Our Lady of the Lake's team will begin practice soon! Kids come with a wide range of experience and skill! The team is open to kids graduating from 8th grade this spring through high school graduates. Call the Religious Ed. Office for more info or to sign up.

MINISTRIES IN ACTION



Bazaar Planning has begun! The Bazaar leadership team is looking for input and ideas to help 'renew and refresh' our Annual Parish Bazaar.

This can be something we add, remove or change. If you have ideas, please send them to bazaar@ourladylake.org. You can also put them on paper and leave them in the collection basket or drop them off at the office. Thanks for your input!



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WOMEN'S GUILD

Our next Women's Guild meeting will be on **Wednesday, May 2nd at 1:00PM**. We will begin our meeting with the recitation of the Rosary in honor of our Blessed Mother, followed by our annual card party and pizza luncheon. We hope that you will plan to join us for some spiritual nourishment as well as some fun and socialization!



Please return your **CRS Rice Bowls** to the baskets at the entrances of the church. Our Lenten almsgiving is a sign of our care for those in need and an expression of our gratitude for all that God has given to us. Thank you for your generosity.



The decorated white "Give New Life" bags for our Food Pantry were given out or may be taken by those who wish to help those in need of food after each Mass at the Easter Vigil and on Easter Sunday. A list of non-perishable items that we give out in our food pantry is in each bag. These bags of food will help to stock our food pantry shelves. The bags of food may be returned anytime during the Easter Season and left at the entrances to the church. Thank you!

Thank you for your Parish Support!

April 22nd, 2018

158 Sunday Envelopes	\$ 5,322.
28 Make Up Envelopes	\$ 1,013.
2 Paid Ahead Envelopes	\$ 30.
Loose Cash	\$ 2,255.
SUNDAY COLLECTION	\$ 8,620.
Monthly Maintenance	\$ 108.

Parish Tithe

The week of **April 22nd tithe of \$431.** will be sent to the Keystone Nursing Home Activities Fund of Leominster. Donations are used for different activities for the Residents. One of the ideas for this donation is to put it towards having an outdoor BBQ this summer for the residents and their families with some type of entertainment.

OLL Food Pantry/Stewardship Fund \$431.



If you would like to light a **Memorial candle** in honor of a loved one, you may purchase one for \$4 each at the parish office.

Recipients are responsible for lighting and placing their candles into the candle holders out at our **Parish Grotto.**



Your generosity has helped many people! During the week of **April 22nd, 29 bags** of food were distributed.



*Thank you to those who have made a gift to the **2018 Partners in Charity Appeal.** Your gift will help us in reaching our parish goal. To date, our total collected is \$39,265. We need the support of all members of our parish if we are to be successful in reaching our parish goal of \$65,000. If you have not yet completed your pledge, please prayerfully do so, and return it to the parish office or in the collection basket, or visit www.partners-charity.net. We are confident that, with God's help and yours, we will rise to it! Thank you!*

THIS WEEK'S PARISH EVENTS

SATURDAY, APRIL 28TH

7:30PM AA Meeting—cancelled

SUNDAY, APRIL 29TH

10:00AM Mass and Ministry Fair

11:00AM Teen Music Ministry

6:00PM High School I Class

MONDAY, APRIL 30TH

4:15PM Rel. Ed Classes, Grades 1-5 Make-up

6:45PM Rel. Ed Classes, Grades 6-8 Make-up

TUESDAY, MAY 1ST

4:15PM Rel. Ed Classes, Grades 1-5 Make-up

WEDNESDAY, MAY 2ND

5:30PM Cub Scouts Pack 3 Meeting

7:00PM Folk Group Practice

THURSDAY, MAY 3RD

9:00AM Dominoes

1:00PM Prayer Shawl Meeting

4:15PM Practice for First Eucharist

6:00PM Cub Scouts Meeting

6:30PM Boy Scouts Troop Meeting

7:00PM Adult Choir Practice

FRIDAY, MAY 4TH

4:15PM Practice for First Eucharist

4:30PM Choir of Angels

7:30PM Al Anon Meeting

SATURDAY, MAY 5TH

11:00PM First Eucharist Liturgy

7:30PM AA Meeting

SUNDAY, MAY 6TH

9:45AM First Eucharist Liturgy

11:00AM Teen Music Ministry

6:00PM High School I Class



Next Weekend's Celebrants

SATURDAY, MAY 5TH

5:00PM Father Carlos Ruiz

SUNDAY, MAY 6TH

8:00AM Father Carlos Ruiz

9:45AM Father Michael Broderick

11:45AM Father Carlos Ruiz

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