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<u>Liturgical Celebrations</u>

Lord's Day Masses Saturday: 5PM

Sunday: 8AM, 9:45AM, 11:45AM, and 6PM Daily Mass: 8AM (Mon., Tues., and Wed.)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Every Saturday at 4PM and by appointment anytime.

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no matter what your current family
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no matter what your personal history,
age, background, race,
no matter what your own self-image:
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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.

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Mass Intentions

SAT., FEB. 22ND

5:00PM Mario D'Onfro, 1st Anniversary Joseph Bolton, Sr.

SUN., FEB. 23RD 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00AM Lionel Edes, 1st Anniversary Adele Bouchard

9:45AM Devita Cormier, Bday Remembrance Josephine Allain, 4th Anniversary

11:45AM Nico Mazzaferro, Bday Remembrance

6:00PM Mary Bartimo

Debbie Bartimo Silva

MON., FEB. 24TH

8:00AM Henry Larose Bob Putnam, 10th Anniversary

TUES., FEB. 25TH

8:00AM Orpha Nourie

WED., FEB. 26TH

Ash Wednesday

8:00AM Phil Nourie

12:00PM

7:00PM Richard Pimley, 35th Anniversary

SAT., FEB. 29TH

5:00PM Margaret Little, Bday Remembrance Joan Sheehan, Month's Mind

SUN., MAR. 1st

First Sunday of Lent

8:00AM

9:45AM

11:45AM Brittny Harrison

6:00PM

Blessings and Prayers to our former Associate Pastor, Fr. Carlos Ruiz! Fr. Carlos has been recently appointed as Pastor of St. Anna's Parish right here in Leominster! Please keep him, his former parishioners in Winchendon who will miss him dearly, and his new parishioners at St. Anna's, who undoubtedly will welcome him with open arms, in your prayers. It is a big undertaking, but he has great trust and faith in God's will for him.



Please remember in your prayers

Parishioner Francis McCarthy,
husband of Doris Clow

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

Dear Friends,

The other day someone, not from the parish, asked me if there was a "slow time" in the life of the parish. I looked at him and said the time between Christmas and New Year's is relatively quiet, and the month of July is also somewhat quiet, but after that it's all full speed ahead! He looked a bit perplexed but I reminded him he was asking about being busy just one week before Lent begins! It is as it should be, busy working to reveal the Kingdom of God in our midst so that God might receive the power and the glory that is God's due.

Lent is indeed around the corner and upon us in a few short days. The spirit of the season is, as always, prayer, fasting and almsgiving in an attempt to draw us closer to the Lord and the sacrifice he made for us. Our theme this year is "To Encounter Jesus." You will see the range of offerings for spiritual enrichment during this holy season on the bulletin insert. Each of us is called not only to encounter Jesus, but to share that encounter with others. This is the essence of the Christian faith, to realize we are all called from and by the Church to be missionaries in the name of Jesus. Pope Francis has said "... (was) not that you have a mission to fulfill but that you are essentially a missionary, for "in the encounter with Jesus you have experienced the fullness of life, and therefore you desire with your whole being that others recognize themselves in Him." If we desire to see our parish grow in the love of Christ, and we do, perhaps this Lent will be the time you share your encounter with Jesus with those around you?

Last Fall I distributed 100 copies of Bishop Robert Baron's book, "Letter to a Suffering Church" in the parish. Back then I promised to provide the opportunity for those who have read, or are reading, the book to come together and share their reactions to what Bishop Baron had to say. Finally, I have selected a few dates for this purpose. Please check the Lent Schedule for dates and times. The only prerequisite is that you have read or are in the process of reading the The book aims to give strength and purpose to those who wish to see a way forward in the Church and offer to those who have been affected by this scandal some measure of support and comfort. You do not have to commit to attending all of the meetings, just come and share the journey as best you are able.

> Peace, Fr. Michael

HIGH SCHOOL

High School I and High School II Class - TODAY Sunday, February 23rd 6-9PM

High School I Class - Sun., March 1st, 6-9PM class starts with Mass please arrive by 5:50pm with bible and folder. Parents are encouraged to join us for the 6pm mass as well, our prayer is that this will become a special time for the entire family at time to break from our hectic lives, sit with our families, participate in our children's faith formation and rejuvenate our own personal relationship with Jesus.

<u>Confirmation Retreat at Grotonwood,</u> <u>Groton Ma</u> - Saturday, March 7th starting at 8:20AM, ending Sunday, March 8th, 2pm

GRADES 1-5

5th and 3rd Grade Students Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation during class time

Grade 5 - Tuesday Feb 25th, Mrs. Kelly's class
Grade 3 – Monday March 2nd, Mrs. Carlin's class,
Miss Cote's class, Mrs. Souza's class
Tuesday March 3rd, Mrs. Keating's class
Monday, March 9th, Mrs. Kroll's class
Tuesday, March 10th, Mrs. Uusitalo's class

Parent and Child 1st Eucharist Prep meeting -Thurs., Feb. 27th 6:30-7:30PM

We will gather in community to discuss, share and learn about the sacred gift of Jesus in the Eucharist through hands on activities.

BEGINNINGS I & II Class

Sunday, February 23rd, 8:40 to 9:30AM Parent First Eucharist Meeting



HAITI NEWS: A big "Thank You" to all who donated a total of 470 lbs. of goods and money for the Haiti mission. Thank you also for the check for \$786.40 which was the 10% tithe from the collection the week of Feb. 2nd.

CONGRATULATIONS to **Tim Shea**, a member of the Ayer Fire Department and member of our parish has been recently promoted to the rank of Captain in that department. Tim is a long time veteran of the Fire Department and has studied rigorously for that exam, just ask his family! Congratulations and blessings to Tim, his wife Jess and their children Kaitlyn and Ryan "Kid Shea".

JR. HIGH GRADES 6-8 THE LIVING STATIONS SIGN UP

Mon., March, 2nd and Tues., March 3rd during class time

Attention 6th, 7th, & 8th grade students This is a very special opportunity for you to live out your Lenten promise. The presentation of the Living Stations is s a non-speaking performance of the steps that Jesus himself took presented as a prayer for our parish community in the Church on Good Friday, April 10th @ 3PM.

The following is the schedule for this commitment:

Monday, March 23rd, 6-6:45PM - First practice - Roles will be assigned

Tuesday, March 31st 6:45-8PM - Second Practice Friday (Good Friday) April 10th *12:15 to 4:00 pm* dress rehearsal, pizza party, Presentation at 3:00pm On April 10th **Lunenburg schools** are scheduled for a full day of classes. Students are entitled to an excused attendance for religious observance. **Leominster schools** have a half-day.



Jr. High Youth Group Now Playing at Our Lady of the Lake in the church hall Fri., Mar. 6th, 6:30-9PM

Drop off and pick up in the Church Hall through the Parish Center doors—make a date, grab a friend and plan on Games, Community, Food, Music, Fun and Prayer.

JR HIGH YOUTH GROUP LEADS Friday Night "STATIONS OF THE CROSS"

Filling ourselves with spiritual strength we enjoy each other's company with THE TRY NOT TO LAUGH Challenge, along with fast action "NERF WARS". To participate in Nerf Wars, you need to bring Nerf Equipment and be ready to share.



"Kids Feeding Kids" – the mission of the Jr. High Youth Group. If you would like to participate in the Kids feeding Kids, please bring in a donation

of Kid-friendly food, snack or drink. We will have a donation box set up during Youth Group Meetings.



PASTA DINNER

Come help support our Scouts BSA Troop 12 for Boys and Girls! Enjoy a good home cooked pasta meal. All proceeds will help fund the upcoming activities and equipment needs of the Troops.

Our Lady of the Lake Church Hall Saturday, 2/29/20, 4:30-7PM

Tickets will be available at the door or from the Scouts. Adults are \$7 and children (under 14) are \$5. Desserts will be available for purchase.



SAVE THE DATE!

Our annual **Chowder Fest** is on **Friday, March 13th, from 5-7:30PM** in St. Joseph's Hall. Menu includes Clam, Fish & Corn

Chowder, Macaroni and Cheese, corn bread, crackers, bread, soda, coffee, tea & desserts.

Tickets are: Adults \$8, Children 6-12 \$4, Seniors \$6. We will need lots of boiled potatoes and baked goods, so if you can help in this way, please call Jane O'Hara at 978-597-8555, email ianeoha@gmail.com, or jot down your name and tel. # on the sign-up sheets at the church entrances.



Catholic Men You're Going to Live Forever! Are You Ready?

Three dynamic Catholic speakers reveal how Catholic men can *Transform* their lives and know for certain where they will spend *Eternity* while blessing the people around them <u>now</u>. Join over 1,000 men at the 20th Annual Catholic Men's Conference at Assumption College in Worcester on Saturday, March 28th. For more information, see brochures at the church entrances, call David La Liberty 978-537-1134 or go to www.FirstMensConf.org.



FEBRUARY CALENDAR RAFFLE ANNOUNCEMENT OF WINNERS!

February 7th	Bob & MaryBeth Verge	\$ 50.
February 8th	Emily Patella	\$100.
February 9th	Keith Farley	\$ 50.
February 10tl	Roland & Pam Trainque	\$100.
February 11tl	n Ed Walsh	\$ 50.
February 12tl	1 Jackson Guercio	\$100.
February 13tl	Dennis Pearce	\$ 50.

More winners will be posted here next week.

Late donations will be accepted throughout the month of February to be eligible to win on the remaining days. There are 29 chances to win!!

If you would like additional calendars/chances, please stop by the parish office. Donation cost is \$10 per chance or 4 for \$30. Good luck to all!

Save the Dates!
PARISH MISSION
Mon., March 16th
Tues., March 17th
and Wed., March 18th
Each evening at 7 PM

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"Encountering Christ"

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Our diocesan policy requires that all those whose work brings them in contact with children receive Safe Environment Training. This applies to all volunteers, Catechists, Aides, Eucharistic Ministers, Greeters, and Lectors.. For those who have not already attended a session, the training is available online. To register for the Online Course, email mlutter@ourladylake.org. You will then be contacted by Cathaleen Peloquin from the Office of Healing and Prevention who will send you the link for the online training. Once you have completed the training you must send the certificate to Michelle Lutter. If you are interested in a LIVE course or if you have any questions please contact Michelle Lutter at the Religious Ed. Office, or email mlutter@ourladylake.org. Our Parish requires that you fill out a CORI form each year (with attached copy of your driver's license) and a onetime only Code of Ministerial Conduct. These forms can be found on the table outside the Religious Ed Office in the Parish Family Center.

Thank you for your Parish Support!

February 15th/16th, 2020

 Sunday Offering
 \$5,675.

 Mail in
 \$1,810.

 Total
 \$7,485.

The week of Feb. 16th Tithe of \$748.50 will be sent to the Hispanic/Latino Ministry of the **Diocese of Worcester**. The ministry promotes the union and integration of our Hispanic/Latino Catholic Community of the Diocese of Worcester around the figure of Our Lord Jesus Christ and a culture of encounter and discipleship, fostering our faith and cultural values in areas of education and leadership, pastoral care of families, youth and young adults' accompaniment, immigration, social justice, spiritual guidance, and evangelization. Under the intercession of our spiritual mother Mary, our parishes strive to support members of our community to become disciples and leaders, who embracing; sharing; and fostering our cultural and spiritual values, help together to serve the mission of our local and universal church.



Ash Wednesday February 26, 2020

Mass and the Distribution of Ashes 8AM, 12PM, and 7PM

Liturgy of the Word and Ashes 6:30AM & 4:30PM

Friendly Reminder: Ash Wednesday is a day of fast and abstinence. All the Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat.



Something Beautiful for God Campaign as of 2/18/20, 189 pledges totaling \$596,809. Kindly send your monthly or quarterly installments to the Parish Business office. If you have any questions regarding the installments,

please contact the Parish Business office, Ext. 101, or email wchartrand@ourladylake.org. Please remember to indicate Something Beautiful for God Campaign in the memo section of checks and mark the envelopes Attn: Wendy Chartrand. Any questions regarding pledging to the campaign should be directed to Fr. Michael (Ext. 111) or Wendy Chartrand (Ext 101) or email wchartrand@ourladylake.org. Thank you for your continued prayers and support for a successful Campaign!

THIS WEEK'S PARISH EVENTS

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22ND

7:30PM AA Meeting

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23RD

8:15AM HS II Retreat Team Meeting 8:30AM Beginnings I and II Classes

8:40AM Beginnings Eucharist Parent Meeting

3:00PM We Are Called

3:30PM Troop 12 PLC and Committee Meeting

4:30PM RCIA

6:00PM HS I and II Classes

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH

4:15PM Grades 1-5 Religious Ed Classes (Grade 5 Reconciliation) 6:45PM Grades 6-8 Religious Ed Classes

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH

4:15PM Grades 1-8 Religious Ed Classes (Grade 5 Reconciliation)

6:00PM Catechist Live Basic Course

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH

Ash Wednesday

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27TH

9:00AM Dominoes

1:00PM Prayer Shawl Meeting

6:30PM Parent/Child First Eucharist Meeting

6:30PM Scouts BSA Troop 12 Meeting

7:00PM Adult Choir Practice 7:30PM NLLL Board Meeting

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28TH

4:30PM Choir of Angels Practice

7:00PM Stations of the Cross

7:30PM Music Trivia Night

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 29TH

4:30PM Scouts Pasta Dinner

7:30PM AA Meeting

SUNDAY, MARCH 1ST

8:15AM HS II Retreat Team Meeting

8:30AM Beginnings I and II Classes

9:40AM Kindergarten Class

4:30PM RCIA

6:00PM HS I Class

As a cost saving effort, **Year-End Contribution Statements** will not be mailed out. If you wish to receive a statement, please call 978-342-2978, Ext. 105.

WeShare (online giving) 2019 parishioner donation statements will be emailed on January 29th to those who have a valid e-mail address on file at WeShare. If you do not receive an email, please contac Wendy Chartrand, at Ext. 101 or by email wchartrand@ourladylake.org. Thank you!

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