



2nd SUNDAY OF EASTER

Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."
- Jn 20:28-29

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**OUR LADY OF THE LAKE
1400 MAIN STREET
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Liturgical Celebrations

Lord's Day Masses

Saturday at 5PM

Sunday at 8AM, 10:30AM and 6PM

We will continue to record Mass for the website and Flocknote for the foreseeable future.

Daily Mass at 8AM (Mon., Tues., & Wed.)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Please call the parish office to make an appointment.

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.*

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Mass Intentions

SAT., APRIL 10TH

5:00PM *Michael McGuirk, 1st Anniversary*
Natalie Wheeler

SUN., APRIL 11TH *Second Sunday of Easter*

8:00AM *Christine Newton*
10:30AM *Margaret Little*
Cecelia McCarthy
1:00PM *Baptism: Mateo Charlie Chagnon*
6:00PM *Gloria Montolio, 5th Anniversary*

MON., APRIL 12TH

8:00AM *Jessica Petkewich, 7th Anniversary*

TUES., APRIL 13TH *Saint Martin I*

8:00AM *Louise Hebert, 1st Anniversary*

WED., APRIL 14TH

8:00AM *Decato/O'Malley Families*

SAT., APRIL 17TH

5:00PM *Irene Decato, 35th Anniversary*
Donald Bankhardt

SUN., APRIL 18TH *Third Sunday of Easter*

8:00AM *James and Eleanor Cleary*
10:30AM *Ernest Caponi*
Roberta Raspuzzi, 6th Anniversary
1:00PM *Baptism: Alivia Simone Arsenault*
6:00PM



Please remember in your prayers
Parishioners Joseph D'Alessio and
Lydia La Liberty

May they rest in peace, and may
their families find comfort from
their faith in Jesus Christ.

Our beloved Aimee Perkins is now a resident of Benchmark Senior Living at Leominster (also known as Leominster Crossings). If you would like to send Aimee a card, her address there is 1160 Main Street, Room 213, Leominster, MA 01453. Thank you!

Dear Friends,

"Are you huggable?" That is the big question these days. In other words, have you had both shots and are you two weeks out? If so, hugs all around! Such a simple human gesture engenders such a great response of gratitude and appreciation. While we are still encouraged to be on our guard against the variants of the virus, let us also look ahead to a time when we are able to gather together in love and joy. We are a people who are called to rejoice in the hope and promise of Jesus Christ! Alleluia!

This past week saw the parish coming together to mourn the loss of Joan Burns and to celebrate her return to the Father. You will remember that Joan was the Pastoral Associate at Our Lady of the Lake for over ten years. During that time here, and when she was with the Sisters of the Presentation in Leominster, Joan touched the lives of hundreds, if not thousands of people who sought to come to know their faith. She remains a sterling example of what it means to leave everything behind to follow Jesus. Even as she battled Parkinson's Disease, she would not let that become an obstacle to reaching out to others. I will always be grateful for the weekly cards she sent to me when I was on my 30 day retreat last July. There were important words of wisdom and faith in those messages. She chose the a reading for her funeral from the Second Letter of St. Paul to Timothy which has the following line: "I have competed well; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith." Indeed she has! May she rest in the peaceful embrace of the all loving God.

As we look ahead to better weather and warmer days, we will have at least one mass each weekend outdoors. That was well received last year and perhaps, if folks are amenable, we go with two masses outside. I'll keep you posted and please let me know your thoughts on this. Have a great week.

Peace,
Fr. Michael



**Aimee Perkins
Brett Biron
Betty Schwall
Annette Caponi
Bob Coppentrath
Rhe Kennedy**



*Throughout the 50 days of the Easter Season, we remember at Mass all those whose names are written on the **Easter Flower Offering** envelopes. Thank you for your generosity.*

Food Pantry



*Your generosity has helped many people! Last week, **30 bags of food** were distributed! Thank you!*



Partners in Charity: Be the Face of Christ

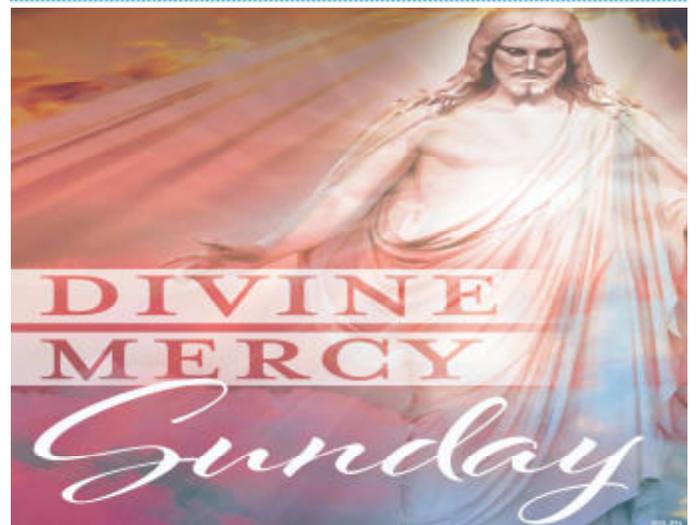
Thank you to those who have made a contribution to the annual Partners in Charity Drive in the diocese. The theme this year is "Be the Face of Christ." Like last year our target is \$60,000.00. Thus far, we have achieved a total of \$7,655.00. Your kindness helps the many works of the diocese to reach those who depend on our services. The Vocations Office, subsidies for the Catholic School System, Priest's Retirement Fund and the many outreach programs to the poor and needy in our midst depend on our being the Face of Christ to them. Please make your contribution as soon as you can.

Christian Service Scholarships

Through the generosity of parish tithing, we are pleased to announce the availability of Christian Service Scholarships for the young people of our parish who have demonstrated significant voluntary service to our parish community. These one-time scholarships are intended to be used to help defray the cost of post-secondary education. Applications with a cover sheet explaining eligibility are available in the Parish Office or in the Family Center. Deadline for submission is April 25th. Scholarships will be awarded at the Baccalaureate Mass on Tuesday May 25th 7 pm.

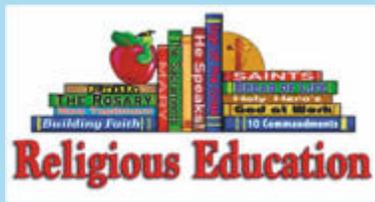
It has come to our attention that several winners of the **February Calendar Raffle** have yet to receive their checks. The checks were mailed out, but there continues to be delivery issues with the Post Office. You may remember the news reports at Christmas time talking about a backup of several months. If you are a winner and have not yet received your check, please call the office and leave your name with Laura and we will make sure a check will be available for you to pick up. Sorry for the inconvenience!

Peace, Fr. Michael



Something Beautiful for God Campaign

We will no longer be including information regarding the Campaign – only this reminder to complete and return the pledge response cards due 11/15/20. Thanks! - There are many still outstanding. Please return ASAP. Any questions please contact Fr. Michael or Wendy Chartrand, Parish Accountant. Thank you!



OUR LADY OF THE LAKE 2020-2021 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Upcoming Schedule

In-Person Classes

All safety protocols that were put in place in the beginning of the year for classroom instruction will remain in place.

Peer Retreat Team Meeting Confirmation Candidates

Sunday April 25th 8:30 am

Confirmation Practice at Saint Cecilia's Leominster

Friday April 16th 7pm Candidate, Sponsor and Parents Only

Confirmation Ceremony Saturday April 17th 11:00 am Candidate, Sponsor and Parents Only

High School I (9th)

Sunday Apr 25th 4:45 to 7:00 pm

Full Year remote class at 3pm

High School II (10th)

Sunday April 25th 4:45 to 7:00 pm

Full Year remote class at 3 pm

Wednesday April 14th 6:00 to 7:15 p

Confirmation Retreat @ Our Lady of the Lake

Saturday

May 1st 12:00 to 8:30 pm

Rain Date Satur-

day May 8th



Middle School In-person formation

Last Class This Monday and Tuesday April 12th & April 13th

This year we are ending with a Mass Monday's Mass for 6-8th starts at 7 pm

Tuesday's class Mass starts a 4:15 Parents are invited and encouraged to attend.



Sacramental Prep Classes Last class Sunday May 2nd at 9:00 am

we invite all families to attend 10:30 Mass after class for the Rite of Enrollment for First Eucharist.



Meet and Greet at Saint Denis in Douglaston,

Sunday April 25th at 1:00 pm

Team will meet at Our Lady of the Lake Church parking Lot at 12:00 pm to car pool.

A Huge THANK YOU! to our Middle School Students who presented the Living stations on Good Friday. Your reverence and prayerfulness moved all who witnessed.

Thank you for your Parish Support!

Weekly Collection: March 27th & 28th
Total Mail in, Drop off & At
Mass Collection \$6,813.25

Please note: The above includes multiple weeks of make-up contributions covering the months of November 2020 through the first three weeks of March 2021. There are also pay-ahead contributions through the end of May 2021. This is not a true representation of one weeks collection.

Thanks to your generosity, the week of **March 28th** tithed of **\$681.33** will be sent to **Catholic Charities Women's Recovery Program** in Leominster. This program provides a voluntary 3-6 month women's residential program for the treatment of a substance use disorder and co-occurring enhanced disorder. Referrals are provided through various treatment facilities and hospital units throughout the Commonwealth of Mass. The residential recovery home houses females 18 yrs. and up. The home consists of 8 bedrooms with 16 beds. At present the home is full. These women have access to registered nurses and on-psychiatric assistance with the ultimate goal of achieving sobriety and stability, lead a life free of addiction and thrive in their families, workplaces and communities. The money from this tithe will be used to provide personal needs items for the women in this program.

Weekly Collection: April 3rd & 4th
Total Mail in, Drop off & At
Mass Collection \$6,278.00

Please note: The above includes multiple weeks of make-up contributions covering the months of January 2021 through March 2021. There are also pay-ahead contributions through the end of April 2021. This is not a true representation of one weeks collection.

Thanks to your generosity, the week of **April 4th** tithed of **\$627.80** will be used for **Our Lady of the Lake Christian Service Scholarship Awards**. This scholarship is offered to young people of our parish who have demonstrated a commitment to living a Christian witness by dedicating significant voluntary service and or serving in a leadership role among their peers in the parish community. These scholarships are awarded to an individual one time only and are intended to be used to defray the costs of post-secondary education. The selection is based upon duration of service, depth of involvement, diversity of activity, demonstrated leadership and regular participation in the worship life of the parish community.

GIVE NEW LIFE BAG

Please Take One

Needs

- canned
- pancakes mix
- pancakes syrup
- oatmeal
- peanut butter
- jam or jelly
- canned meat
- (chicken, turkey, ham)
- macaroni
- soup
- bag of stew
- canned vegetables
- spaghetti sauce
- macaroni and cheese
- rice
- (white, brown, flavored)
- instant or canned potatoes
- canned fruit
- crackers
- cookies
- rice
- coffee, tea, hot cocoa
- grocery store gift cards

The decorated white "Give New Life" bags for our Food Pantry will be given out or may be taken by those who wish to help those in need of food after 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 of the church. Thank you for your support.



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ARE YOU CAUGHT UP WITH US?

Like many others, there is always something that we "mean to get to" but never quite get there. People have forgotten that while they have not come to Mass, neither has their weekly support for the parish. On a couple of occasions we have received a contribution from parishioners who are "making up" for the time that they haven't been to church. One way to make sure this doesn't happen to you is to use online banking from your own bank or signing up on our website. While the pandemic has taken its toll on so many areas, including some peoples' livelihood, please know that if this is not the case for you, try to get to the computer or your checkbook and make your financial contribution to Our Lady of the Lake. We can't give out Thank You Gifts as they do on Public Television, but what we can give out is the love we have for God and for one another.

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