



THOUGHTS FROM FR. SCOTT

This week we return to ordinary time and I find something very comforting in this movement. Enjoy this opportunity to be with God in a very ordinary fashion that is comfortable and hopeful at the same time. This time is particularly useful for our spiritual growth and hope. Ordinary time allows us to build and strengthen our regular relationship with God our Father knowing His mercy and love. Seize this time and make the most out of your relationship with God. These winter months afford us the opportunity to quiet our souls and listen. We should be able to be with the Lord in an intimate way and pray through the months ahead. Our daily and fervent prayer will help us calm our souls and grow in His service.

Our Scripture readings during the first weeks of our Church year implore us to reflect upon our "call" from the Lord. All of us have a vocation in life and are called to witness to Jesus in a particular way. It is good for us to reflect upon our own call and to pray for the young that they may clearly hear the Word of the Lord and cooperate with His will. The Lord is calling enough people to ordained and consecrated service in the Church, but worldly allurements are difficult to ignore as we all know. Our encouragement of young people to follow a priestly or religious vocation is vital to our growth as a family of God. So, when was the last time you thought about the young people in your life and invited them to consider religious or ordained life in the Church? This thought and action are necessary in our world today if we hope to have enough priests to serve the Church. This is our responsibility to the young: helping them to see a life of service to the people of

God as good, joyful and acceptable to all.

Our particular readings this weekend proclaim this message of attentiveness to the Lord in a profound way. Our first reading is one of my very favorites from the first book of Samuel. We hear in this reading of Samuel being taught how to respond to the call of our Father in his life by the prophet Eli. Eli helps the young Samuel to know the Lord and to be attentive to His ways. Likewise, the two disciples in the Gospel are asked by the Lord Himself "what are you looking for?" They want to know where the Lord is staying and are invited to "come and see." We too are invited to go and see the Lord. The question is, will we accept this invitation to the life of grace or not?

I thank everyone who helped clean the Church last Monday. Our effort was quick and enjoyable. Cleaning and setting up our Church for different liturgical seasons is a monumental task requiring much dedication and hard work. I always appreciate the willingness of folks to be generous with their time and talent especially in the current climate. This particular group is truly generous and aims to make our church a beautiful place for worship. Everyone who helped to clean up, and set up for that matter, worked tirelessly and peacefully for the benefit of our parish family. So, thank you everyone for your generous donation of time and expertise in getting our Church back in regular order.

*God Bless and have a great week!
Fr. Scott*

Thought for the Week: We should be like Samuel who asked the Lord to speak while he listened rather than telling the Lord to listen while we speak!

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**ORDINARY
TIME**

FR. CHRISTOPHER'S CONTEMPLATIONS

Hello and Happy Sunday!

Last weekend with the feast of the Baptism of the Lord, we began, once again, the liturgical season of ordinary time. We will now continue through ordinary time until we start our lenten journey in a few weeks with Ash Wednesday (Feb. 17). Over the last few years, as I write these weekly bulletin articles I think I have become more aware of the liturgical calendar and how we go through the yearly cycles. I have in the past, reflected on how the liturgical cycle is likened to that of the changing of seasons. It seems that we are always starting one thing and ending another. It can be helpful for us to look back on where we have been and where we are now. I encouraged us to do this a few weeks back with the start of the new year. It was a great time to look back over our year and thank God for all of the blessings He has bestowed upon us over the last year.

This past weekend during Mass, I was reminded of the year we have had and on how different things are today to what they were a year ago. These days I do not have altar servers during Mass, there is no offertory and there is no formal sign of peace, but with all of these changes, Jesus continues to make Himself present to us in the Eucharist. Jesus never stopped feeding us with His words in the liturgy of the word and with His body and blood in the Eucharist. He continues to bestow His sanctifying grace upon us and we must continue to avail ourselves to the grace He gives.

As I mentioned, in these days the liturgy can look a little differently. What I was reminded of this weekend was how we do not currently have a

formal offertory; the part of the Mass when the gifts of bread and wine are brought forward on behalf of the people. For some reason this struck me in a profound way this past weekend. During this part of the Mass, the altar is prepared, our offering, the gifts put forth by the people, is placed on the altar and offered to God. I think, in these days, this symbolism can be lost. I want to remind all of us, during the offertory at Mass, to take a moment in prayer to present spiritually to God our offering. To place on the spiritual altar of sacrifice our concerns, worries, petitions and our prayers. This is the most important gift that we present to God,

Along with making a conscious effort to present to God our offering during the offertory, I want to encourage us to take time after receiving the Eucharist and immediately following Mass to offer to God a prayer of thanksgiving. These are great moments where we should take a moment in prayer to thank God for what we have just received, His Son's very Body and Blood. I know in the time after communion we can easily get distracted with all of the other people receiving communion and even during the time the priest is purifying the vessels. During these times moments this weekend, I want to encourage all of us to make a conscious effort to use these times for prayer and to offer God a prayer of gratitude for all of the blessings that He has bestowed upon us during the liturgy, during our past week and to thank Him ahead of time for all of the blessings that He will bestow upon us this week. May God continue to bless and guide all of you this week.

OUR PARISH LIFE TOGETHER

**HAPPY
Retirement!**
**Kathie
Harroun**

*Thank you for giving 26 years to
Our Lady of the Lakes! We wish you all the
blessings for your retirement!*



WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome our newest members of our parish family:

Madisson Martin & Ryan Kovach

**Ciaran & Margaret Cleary
and Family**

Kateri Mills

Introduce yourself to new faces in church to help us welcome our new Lakers!

THIS WEEK'S LITURGIES

MONDAY, JANUARY 18

8:15 AM | † John Sutherland *by Mary Alfes*
Intentions of Andrea Gumbko *by Lisa Suran*

TUESDAY, JANUARY 19

8:15 AM | † Carl Roselli *by Carl Roselli*
† Arnold Horn *by Doug & Mary Beth Ritter*

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20

8:15 AM | † Patricia J Hudson *by Family*
† Eugene Rigotti *by Michael & Kathy Sabol*

THURSDAY, JANUARY 21

8:15 AM | † Crew of the SS 384
Intentions of Marjorie McTigue *by Victoria Kudwa*

FRIDAY, JANUARY 22

8:15 AM | † Michael Bellows *by The Tenuta Family*
Intentions of Dave & Ida Davis *by Pete & Teresa Ottman*

SATURDAY, JANUARY 23

5:00 PM | † Deceased members of the Paczynski Family
by McKee Family
† Mr & Mrs Albert Sleno *by Whalen Family*

SUNDAY, JANUARY 17

8:00 AM | † Sr Fran Calcaterra *by Emily Bliss & Mary-Claire Salvaggio*
Parish Family of Our Lady of the Lakes
9:30 AM | † Dan Konczal *by Kathy Lewis*
† Thomas Grden *by Jim & Kathleen Houlihan*
11:00 AM | † Dorothy & Frank Phelps *by Tom & Maureen Phelps*
† Dennis & Nancy Montgomery *by Doug & Mary Beth Ritter*
12:30 PM | † Fran Manner *by The Kravetz Family*
† Pamela Incammicia *by The Cook Family*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 17

Sunday
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10;
1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42

Monday
Heb 5:1-10; Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4; Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday
Heb 6:10-20; Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9 and 10c;
Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday
Saint Fabian, Pope and Martyr;
Saint Sebastian, Martyr
Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4;
Mk 3:1-6

Thursday
Memorial of Saint Agnes, Virgin & Martyr
Heb 7:25—8:6; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17;
Mk 3:7-12

Friday
Day of Prayer for the Legal
Protection of Unborn Children
Heb 8:6-13; Ps 85:8 and 10, 11-12, 13-14;
Mk 3:13-19

Saturday
Saint Vincent, Deacon and Martyr;
Saint Marianne Cope, Virgin
Heb 9:2-3, 11-14; Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9;
Mk 3:20-21

Sunday
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9;
1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20

REST IN PEACE

Remembering those who have gone before us:



Vanessa Schaefer



Gloria Jean Buchanan



Josephine Valderas

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Amen.



In conjunction with the USCCB's Novena for Life, we invite you to join as Archbishop Vigneron celebrates Mass for Life from the Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 11:00 AM on Saturday, January 23rd.

Watch the Livestream at AOD.ORG/LIVEMASSES, or register to attend the Mass in person at the Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament: AOD.ORG/EVENTS/645. Registration is required.

Join us at we pray the novena together as a parish from Thursday, January 21 - Friday, January 29:

Posted in our new Novena Facebook Group FACEBOOK.COM/GROUPS/OLLNOVENAS or download our app at MYPARISHAPP.COM for notifications at noon.

DID YOU KNOW?

This Friday, January 22, the Church in the United States observes the annual "Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children."

We are called to observe this day through prayer and penance. A prayer for life is included below or learn more at

RESPECTLIFE.ORG/JANUARY-22

A PRAYER FOR LIFE

Father and maker of all, you adorn all creation with splendor and beauty, and fashion human lives in your image and likeness. Awaken in every heart reverence for the work of your hands, and renew among your people a readiness to nurture and sustain your precious gift of life. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen.

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Motor City Caravan for Life

January 30, 2021
12:30 pm

Since we cannot travel to Washington DC this year for the March for Life, Right to Life-LIFESPAN will establish a Caravan for Life!

Join us January 30, 2021 at 12:30 pm when we will meet at St. Hugo of the Hills parking lot and we drive down Woodward Ave to downtown Detroit and back to White Chapel Cemetery to lay wreaths remember the lives lost to abortion since Roe v Wade was decided. This is a critical year to maintain a strong pro-life presence in our communities and in our nation.

**Note: This is a cultural event for the Right to Life and not a political rally. Please do not mix any signs for or against any political figure or party which may detract from the universality of our pro-life message.*

For more information call the Oakland/Macomb office at 248-816-1546 for details.
Or visit MILIFESPAN.ORG for more information.

JOIN US FOR MICHIGAN'S

ROE V. WADE

MEMORIAL & MARCH

Wednesday, January 27 | Lansing, MI
Rally @ 1 pm | March @ 2 pm
Learn more:
PROLIFEMI.ORG/MIMARCH

Jean's Jottings FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Today's reading from the Gospel according to John immediately follows John the Baptist's testimony about Jesus and his identification of Jesus as the Lamb of God. Having been baptized by John, Jesus begins to gather followers. The first followers sought out Jesus because of the testimony and witness of John the Baptist.

We are familiar with the title that John the Baptist uses for Jesus—the Lamb of God. We hear it weekly at the fraction rite during Mass. For those who heard John the Baptist, however, this title recalled key themes from the Old Testament. It alludes to the paschal lamb offered as a sacrifice when God freed the Israelites from slavery in Egypt, the event that is commemorated by the Jewish Passover celebration. The designation also recalls the prophet Isaiah's description of the suffering servant of Israel. In using this name for Jesus, John the Baptist predicts Jesus' passion and death and the new interpretation of Passover that will begin with Jesus' Last Supper.

We learn in today's reading how Jesus' first followers were gathered. The first two, Andrew and another man, were followers of John the Baptist. After hearing John's testimony, they became followers of Jesus. During their time with Jesus, the details of which are not specified, Andrew and the other follower came to believe that Jesus was the

Messiah. Andrew then brings his brother, Simon, to Jesus. Immediately, Jesus gave Simon a new name, calling him Peter, which means "rock" in Greek. The renaming of Simon to Peter is reported in all four of the Gospels.

In the exchange between Andrew, the other disciple, and Jesus, we see an example of the usual pattern for first-century Jewish rabbinical schools. Jews sought out rabbis and established themselves as disciples of a particular rabbi. Jesus appears to have been unique in that he sought out individuals, inviting them to be his followers. In the passage that follows, John's Gospel tells us how Jesus took the initiative in calling Philip and Nathanael.

Jesus asks Andrew and the other disciple, "What are you looking for?" This is a telling question, and one that we might often ask of ourselves. John the Baptist testified to Jesus' identity, the Lamb of God, using the framework of the Old Testament. Andrew, Simon, and the other first disciples were looking for the Messiah, whom they also came to know as the Son of God. What do we look for and what do we find in Jesus?

Peace and prayers,

Jean, DRE

From: www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/liturgical-year/sunday-connection/second-sunday-of-ordinary-time-b-sunday-connection/

Our Lady of the Lakes

Please prayerfully consider switching to e-giving.



THE CONVENIENCE OF AUTOMATED TITHING

Many families have already chosen to give one-time or recurring donations through our website. Explore the convenience of online giving at OLLONLINE.ORG/DONATE, and be one of the families who set their tithe to automatically occur when, how often, and in the amount they'd like to give. And always have access to update your information, change gift amounts, enter new payment methods, or pause/cancel a gift at any time. With online giving, you can forget about writing checks or swinging by the ATM.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS NEEDED

We are currently in need of additional liturgical ministers here at Our Lady of the Lakes. If you are interested in becoming a lector, Eucharistic minister, sacristan or an usher here at Our Lady of the Lakes, please contact the parish office with your name and contact information and we will reach out with information regarding training. You can also contact us by sending an email to BULLETIN@OLLONLINE.ORG with "Liturgical Ministry" in the subject line. In the body of the email please include your contact information and which ministry of ministries you would like to join. Remember, no prior experience is necessary!

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PRAYER REQUEST LINE**

248-623-0274

ollprayerteam@OLLonline.org

MONTHLY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION DAY



"Our essential commitment in life is to preserve and advance constantly in Eucharistic life and Eucharistic piety and to grow spiritually in the climate of the Holy Eucharist."

- St. Pope John Paul II, Redeemer of Man

The next Eucharistic Adoration is **Tuesday, January 19**. Following the 8:15 am Mass and ending with Rosary and Benediction at 7:00 pm. We need a firm commitment of 2 individuals per hour to be present in the Church between the hours of 9 am thru 7 pm. There are 2 new designed SPIRITUAL BOUQUET Cards

The Sign-up Genius web site is **TINYURL.COM/OLLEXPOSITION8**. Please call if you have any questions or problems: Patrick Allsteadt at 248-623-7880



WEEKLY WEDNESDAY ROSARY

We invite all to join us each Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. for a Rosary with our Blessed Mother in the Our Lady of the Lakes Chapel. Hope to see you there!

Get How-Tos and more at OLLONLINE.ORG/ROSARY

KNIGHTS KORNER

DREW'S HOME OF CLARKSTON

Grand Knight Chris Scheuer recently presented a check to Drew and Dick Moscovic representing Drew's Home of Clarkston. Drew's Home of Clarkston, Inc. is a non-profit organization working to establish independent living settings for persons with developmental disabilities. They build or renovate structures in our community that enable special needs adults to live in a supervised yet independent, family-oriented environment. Thanks to the generosity of our parish, we were able to donate to the Drew's Home and several other organizations that help people with intellectual disabilities. These funds were collected during our annual Tootsie Roll Drive.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS GO TO COLLEGE

- The first college council was chartered at Notre Dame University in 1910
- Today there are almost 400 college councils worldwide
- These councils include over 38,000 members
- Michigan Technological University Council 17237 was honored as the 2020 Outstanding College Council

We are having a special membership promotion for all men over the age of 18 interested in becoming a Knight and you can join online.



For additional information please contact:

Grand Knight Chris Scheuer
GK5436@mikofc.org
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PARISH SCHOOL



TUITION ANGELS

As we all know, the economic situation in our community has been difficult for many of our school families. We have families who currently send their children to Our Lady of the Lakes School, and make financial sacrifices to continue to do so, but need a helping hand. Can you help? Would you consider being a "Tuition Angel" this year?

If so, please send your donation to the Parish Office or place it in the collection basket marked "Tuition Angels" or make a donation online at

[OLLONLINE.ORG/TUITIONANGELS](https://ollonline.org/tuitionangels)

A gift of any amount can make a difference. **Thank you!**

SAVE THE DATE

OLL's 17th Annual
"Anchors Aweigh" Auction is coming!

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Contact the admissions office
for more information or to
schedule a personal tour!

248-623-0340 ext. 4
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"[Our child] is LOVING Lakes, I am so thankful for the amazing program and teachers."

—Current Parent

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY PERSONNEL

CW3 Jacob Beno	Army
Capt Kelsey Beno	Army
† Jenna Beno <i>died 10/15/12</i>	
AMN Stewart Blaquiére	Air Force
† PFC Damian Bushart <i>died 11/22/03</i>	Army
SSGT Francisco Cantu Caceres	Marines
Eddy DeRocher	
Jacob Dumont	Army
SFC Scott Emanuel	
2LT William Gischia	Army
SSGT Dennis Haskins, Jr.	Army
Dillan Johnson	Air Force
Jackson Jones	Army
Msgt Justin Jones	Air Force
Matt Koetting	Marines
Robert Maher & Crew	Navy
† Sgt. Joseph Martin <i>died 8/16/18</i>	Army
Francesca Meno	Army
Karolyn Meno	Air Force
† PFC Joseph Miracle <i>died 7/5/07</i>	Army
LCP Derek Monday	Marines
Gunnar Ottman	Army
Amanda Paczynski	Army
Capt. Adam Renkiewicz	Army
Capt. Matthew Richards	Army
Katie Rounds	
Sgt. Gerald Sanchez	Marines
CPTN Daniel Schasser	
Anthony Schmidt	Marines
Lt. Col. Nick Strelchuk	Air Force
Cory Vaught	Army
James Whitlow	Navy

If your son, daughter or grandchild is serving us in troubled places, please let us know at the parish office.



Congratulations

to Ian and Caitlin on beginning their married life together!



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PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Please keep in your thoughts and prayers this week the following:

Beverly Armstrong
 Joe Batwinas
 Christian Bodenmiller
 Mikela Bodenmiller
 William Bodenmiller
 John Boncella
 Margo Brown
 Gene Bucek
 Chuck Campbell
 Janet Cobert
 Dean Coleman

Kevin Dalley
 Ben Darmofal
 Irene Delasko
 Joyce Delasko
 Maria Deliro
 Patty Fincannon
 Jennifer Gaffey
 Jean Gannon
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 Suzanne Grimminger
 Karen Haines
 Linda Hemphill

Kathy Horn
 Maureen Hubbel
 Patrick Hull
 Tara Isaac
 Lucas Isaac
 Bill Keul
 Ethan Lewis
 Larry Lovejoy
 Bill Martin
 Cindy McConnell
 Jean Messing
 Tim Nepjuk

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 Frank Pardington
 Carol Pawlowski
 Irene Pawlowski
 Karen Phelps
 Marie Phillips
 Mark Pidgeon
 Tania Price
 Scott Przybylowicz
 Shawn Randazzo
 Dennis Ritter
 Roxxy Ryan

Holly Sanders
 Roger Smith
 Joe Sommerville
 Joe Sutherland
 Kenneth Turner
 Richard Untener
 Ernesto Valderas
 Theresa Villereal
 Ralph Vogan
 Lucy Wilhelm
 Norm Wood

NEXT WEEKEND JANUARY 23 & 24

Time	Presiders	Servers	Lectors	Captains
Saturday, 5:00pm*	Fr. Christopher		Jan Jerrell	Bernadette Tomko
Sunday, 8:00am	Fr. Scott		Cathy Robertson	Mark Blaszkiewicz
Sunday, 9:30am*	Fr. Scott		Brooklyn Robak	Jim Bruso
Sunday, 11:00am	Fr. Christopher		Paul Kowalczyk	Greg Walter
Sunday, 12:30pm	Fr. Christopher		Steve Yanek	

Altar Help

January 21, 2021	Dianne McMillian, Marilyn Golding
January 28, 2021	Theresa Elliott



*5pm & 9:30am Masses are streamed live at ollonline.org/live and facebook.com/ollwaterford/live

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SACRAMENTS

Masses
Saturday Vigil 5:00pm
Sunday 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am, 12:30pm
Monday through Friday 8:15am

Baptisms
Parents must pre-register and attend a Baptism Class.
Contact the parish office for more information.

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturdays from 3:30pm until all are heard.

Eucharistic Exposition

3rd Tuesday of the month after 8:15am Mass until Rosary and Benediction at 7:00pm

Faith Formation

Ages 4/5 Sundays | 9:30am
Mondays Grades 1-8 | 6:15pm
Family Catechesis 1st Sunday of Each Month | 1:30pm
RCIC & RCIA Tuesday | 7:00pm

Weddings

Arrangements must be made at least 6 months in advance.
Couples must attend the Pre-Marriage Workshop.

Registration

Register online at OLLonline.org/join or stop by the office
Please notify the parish of all address, phone, email changes by phone or online at OLLonline.org/update

Project Rachel Post Abortion Ministry 1-888-722-4355
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