

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

THOUGHTS FROM FR. SCOTT

Best wishes to all our dads on this Father's Day. It is wonderful to see good men being honored for giving witness to fatherhood in our world. My own dad provided an extraordinary witness of fatherhood. My dad died seven years ago, so this day is somewhat melancholy for me. Still, it is a joyful day to celebrate all our dads and their wonderful ways. Obviously, a good father stands in representation of our Heavenly Father and shows his children how to love unconditionally. Hopefully, all fathers will give this witness to their children and the world. So, to all our dads: have a wonderful, relaxing and joyful Father's Day!

Our annual CSA campaign is progressing along steadily. I thank all the families that have already responded to our appeal. Many families have not yet responded; therefore, I ask everyone to do so as soon as possible. We still need about \$35,000 to reach our goal this year. Hopefully, every family will make some donation, no matter how small or large it may seem to you personally, so that we may have full participation from the parish family. Please keep in mind any amount collected over our goal is returned to parish family completely. If you are unable to make a donation this year, please let us know at the parish office for our own record keeping. We do not want to trouble you by sending a second letter asking for assistance. Again, thank you to everyone who has responded already and may God bless our endeavors!

Hopefully, everyone will take some down time this summer. Summer is a wonderful opportunity for us to gather our thoughts taking a break from the daily grind and the many anxieties about us. Please do not forget to pray and reflect during these months. It is vital to remain close to Lord at all times. Our church is open daily for prayer and reflection and I highly encourage everyone to make use of it for daily visits. This is one way for us to calm ourselves amidst the daily grind and the current stresses of life. So enjoy the summer, as much as one can during these days, and remember it is a good idea to relax and recharge but also necessary to remain prayerful and close to the Heart of Our Savior.

The other evening, I was looking at our parish buildings and thinking to myself how empty they looked. It was early evening and I was the only one around. The thought occurred to me: people really do make the parish. I think very highly of our Laker community. There is a wonderful spirit and joyful vigor in our community. I am very grateful to God for providing us with this spirit. Our community has grown physically, spiritually and emotionally. Many people desire to be with us and learn about the ways of God. Our growth is a direct result of a welcoming attitude and communal spirit. You, the people of God at Lakes, are to be commended for your joyful attitude. This welcoming spirit makes an impression on others and I encourage everyone to be welcoming at Masses on Sunday. Obviously, the people make the parish and ours is a wonderful community indeed.

Today we celebrate the great feast of Corpus Christi. The feast of the Body and Blood of the Lord is an extremely important feast for us to contemplate given the times in which we live. Too often we fail to understand the Eucharist and the source of greatness it is. To receive the fullness of the Son of God is the greatest joy we will ever know. Often times, we fail to truly appreciate what we have right before us on a daily basis. Frequently, many people treat this event of receiving Christ Jesus, Body and Soul in His true flesh, so casually you would think they are at a backyard BBQ. This is an extremely sad state of affairs to see and endure. This feast is about praising and worshiping God and thanking Him for the gift of the Eucharist: His Son's Body and Blood. There is no greater joy or more important time to rediscover, appreciate and worship in this great fashion. Let us then celebrate this feast with great vigor and joy always giving thanks for the invitation we have from God to receive His Son and Life!

God Bless and have a great week!
Fr. Scott

Thought for the week: God our Heavenly Father, bless our Dads and make them extraordinary gifts of holiness!

VOILAND'S VIEW

In the Old Testament Book of Kings (18: 21ff), we encounter Ahab, an evil Israelite king. He is a nasty man who is basically a wimp. He is politically powerful, but manipulated by his pagan wife Jezebel, who hates the God of Israel. She has systematically been killing off the authentic prophets of the Lord and has used Ahab as a tool to do it. Next in her sights is the influential prophet Elijah.

Elijah will have nothing to do with the pagan worship that Ahab has promoted in the land, which includes worship of the pagan god Baal, so he confronts the people with this question: "How long will you straddle the issue? If the Lord is God, follow him; if Baal, follow him." But the people did not answer him. The people, themselves Israelites, are as spineless as Ahab. They go along with the worship of Baal, and even participate when it is easier for them to do so – pathetic individuals, we might say.

Elijah's statement is haunting, though: "If the Lord is God, follow him; if Baal, follow him." In our world, particularly in the world of us Catholics, straddling the issue of God versus idols, is far too common. Sadly, getting off the fence and deciding, once-and-for-all, for or against God, is something many of us are unwilling to do. Or, we may have deceived ourselves into thinking we have decided, when we really have not. We tell ourselves we are devoted to God – but don't realize that our commitment comes with strings attached. We are devoted to *our* version of God . . . and if he doesn't fit *our* predetermined idea of God . . . well, sorry, that just won't do. When this happens, the Baals, the false idols in our lives have won out by keeping us from fully embracing the Lord. We end up straddling the decision, either for or against God, thinking all the while that we are on his team.

The false idols that confuse and dilute our faithfulness to God are not just pagan religious statues, golden calves and totem poles, or demonic symbols. The far more common idols that get in the way are money, sex, and power. From these come status, comfort, and pleasure which have a remarkable ability to lull us into a sense of thinking that everything is *all right!* "God and I are pals. We're buddies, and buddies can work out all the 'little details' as we go." But this kind of a relationship is actually just fence straddling because, although God does love us, he's not our "buddy." He's God. A proper relationship with God demands we pick either God or our idols, not a little bit of both.

As Catholics, deadly to a solid relationship with God is being "Cafeteria Catholics" – picking the parts of our faith that we like, and throwing out the parts we don't – and still calling ourselves Catholic. This picking and choosing comes from having hard heads and hard hearts. Ideologies – political, philosophical, or otherwise – become idols to which we cling at the expense of a total commitment to God. We let our personal definitions of truth keep us distant from God when we don't agree with what the Church tells us

what truth is. We sit on the fence and waste away in a no man's land of wishy-washy faith.

If Elijah was here, he would say, "If Catholicism is true, follow it; if worldliness is true, then follow it. But get off the fence!" Later in Israel's history, Joshua says, "As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord!" That very same Lord has given us the Catholic Church as the source of truth. We cannot make up truth as we go. No fence-sitters here. When it comes to the teachings of Jesus Christ through his Church, which side of the fence are you on?

Blessings to you in Christ!
Fr. Bob



Year of Prayer for Priestly Vocations prayer

*Heavenly Father, Lord of the Harvest,
call forth vocations to the priesthood
from our archdiocese and families.*

*Jesus, Eternal High Priest,
give us men willing to sacrifice and serve.
Make their hearts after your own Sacred Heart.*

*Holy Spirit, Everlasting Love between the Father
and Son,
strengthen, inspire, and set men on fire with divine
charity.
Grant them the courage to say yes to their vocation.*

*Holy Mary, Mother of God, Mother of priests,
comfort and protect your sons as they discern their
call.
With Saint Joseph, may they know your love and
companionship
as they deepen their relationship with Jesus.*

*Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us.
St. Anne, pray for us.
St. John Vianney, patron saint of priests, pray for us.*

This Week's Liturgies

MONDAY, JUNE 20

8:15 AM †Nancy Galbraith by Daughter
†Alex Kroeplin by Family

TUESDAY, JUNE 21

8:15 AM †Dorothy Rodzik by Ted Rodzik
†Fr. James Cronk by The Chuck Campbell
Family

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22

8:15 AM †James Reid by The Ross Family
†Myles Nurenberg by Sisters of IHM

THURSDAY, JUNE 23

8:15 AM †Rocco Carnacchi by The Horowitz Family
†Emily Zubalik by Anne Zubalik

FRIDAY, JUNE 24

8:15 AM †Linda Hurd by Carolyn Kirin
Mary Pacitto by Family

SATURDAY, JUNE 25

5:00 PM †Karen Webster by Family
†Deceased Members of the Jerry & Sue
Moore Family

SUNDAY, JUNE 26

8:00 AM Parish Family of Our Lady of the Lakes
Int. Ted Rodzik by Michael & Kathy Sabol
9:30 AM †Edward & Rose Augustyn by Daughter
Int. Tim & Kim Smith by Elaine Konczal
11:00 AM †Elizabeth & Ken Lucas by Family
†Michael Alesi by Family
12:30 PM †William E. Trombley by Teresa Grohs
†Michael Alesi by Family

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 19, 2022

Sunday

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Gn 14:18-20; Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Lk
9:11b-17

Monday

2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18; Ps 60:3, 4-5, 12-13; Mt
7:1-5

Tuesday

Memorial of Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, Reli- gious

2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36; Ps 48:2-3ab,
3cd-4, 10-11; Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday

Memorial of Saint John Fisher, Bishop and Martyr and Saint Thomas More, Martyr

2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3; Ps 119:33, 34, 35, 36, 37,
40; Mt 7:15-20

Thursday

Solemnity of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist

Is 49:1-6; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14 ab, 14c-15; Acts
13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80

Friday

Solemnity of Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Ez 34:11-16; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Rom 5:5b-11;
Lk 15:3-7

Saturday

Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19; Ps 74:1b-2, 3-5, 6-7, 20-21;
Lk 2:41-51

Sunday

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11;
Gal 5:1, 13-18; Lk 9:51-62



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Jean's Jottings | Faith Formation News

I heard a great analogy the other day to the question 'does God exist?' and I think it can be applied here. So many seem to question the real presence of God in the Eucharist. So the question is...do you love someone in your life? Do they love you back? How do you know? The Eucharist is the greatest expression of love so why do some doubt it so much when we don't seem to doubt the love of our other relationships? The Eucharist is all about relationship; sacrifice and love, communication and honor, dedication and time. How do you will you build your relationship with the Lord, through the Eucharist this summer?

As I am sure you have heard or read, this is the year of prayer for vocations. I was reading the other day and found this article on the profound connection between Eucharist and our vocations and I share some of that with you here but encourage you to read the rest of the article on your own:

The Church needs more young men and women to respond to the extraordinary vocations of priesthood and religious life. If the Eucharist is the living embodiment of the Lord Jesus then it is essential in our journey of coming to know and love God. If we desire to know the will of God (i.e. vocation) then it seems obvious that we need to deepen our Eucharistic piety. Discerning a vocation is not akin to asking God for a blueprint for life, because we can

only come to know someone's will by spending time with them. God desires to be close to us in friendship, not dictating orders like a military general from afar. <https://denvercatholic.org/know-the-eucharist-know-your-vocation/>

Please join with me and pray this prayer as often as you possibly can.

Jesus the Eucharist, thank You for all that I have. At this moment, abide in me and make me generous and courageous to give all that I have to You. Keep me in the depth of Your heart so that my heart may be filled with Your love. Help me to share the food and drink I have received with others, with people who are much poorer than me, including those whom I do not know and those who are living too far away from me.

Jesus the Eucharist, before You, may I present to You all that You have granted to me, particularly my children. I also offer You all the children and the young people in my parish community. Keep my children and all of them in Your care, touch their souls, inspire their hearts, hold their hands, embrace their bodies and lead them in Your ways. May You sanctify them with Your Holy Body and Blood. May You draw them to Your heart and make them light of the world as You wish. Amen. <https://www.catholicworld.info/eucharist/eucharisten-meditation.htm>

Jean, DRE

MISSION & MINISTRY

High School Youth Group:

July 8th- Vacation Bible School Volunteer Service Day- Come and help us set up and decorate for the little ones going to vacation bible school!

August 13th- Children's Village Softball. We will be taking a day trip to go and play softball with the children and teens at the children's village. We will also be eating lunch with them. This is a great service opportunity that is also a lot of fun!

Young Adult Ministry (YAM):

June 19th- Eucharistic Revival at the Cathedral- The Archdiocese of Detroit will be launching the National Eucharistic Revival with a Eucharistic procession on the Feast of Corpus Christi. The procession will start at the Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament and conclude with Benediction at the Sacred Heart Seminary. Visit aod.org/eucharisticprocession to learn more!

July 10th- Young Adult Kickball Tournament- Join LakersYAM kickball team as we face other young adult groups in a kickball tournament!

July 22-23rd- YAM Retreat- Join the group for a weekend of camping and prayer! We will be having a mini retreat as we grow in fellowship

Blessings, Michelle Konarzewski, Director of Youth and Young Adult Evangelization
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Our Parish Life Together



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BIBLE ANGELS

Clean out your closets and libraries! The goal of the new group **Bible Angels** is to supply prisoners with Bibles and Catholic reading material. We will have 2-3 collection drives a year. Our first collection drive will be the weekends of **June 25/26 and July 2/3.**

Drop boxes will be provided in the church lobby marked **BIBLE ANGELS** for your donations. Please pray for this ministry. Thank you for your generosity...you never know what impact you may have. If you have any questions or would like to help pack boxes, please contact Lynn Pomerleau at 248-770-3296 or Margo Eurick at 248-568-9946.

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defender of life,
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GOD BLESS OUR FATHERS

Farewell from Tim Smith

Sunday 26 June will be my final day as Music director at Our Lady of the Lakes. I am retiring from full-time parish music ministry and will be doing parish missions, music ministry workshops and various music gigs as a freelance musician. You can follow my weekly music videos at www.timothyrsmith.com. I am also grateful for any referrals.

I want to thank Fr. Scott Thibodeau and all the great priests I have had the honor of working with over my twelve years at Lakes: Fr. Bob Voiland, Fr. Christopher Muer, Fr. Brian Meldrum, Father Larry Delonnay who hired me, Fr. Mike Gawlowski, Fr. Kris Novak. I want to thank all the great parish staff and all the musicians I've had the pleasure of serving with. There are so many people, but I want to single out Francine Bailey, Debbie Brenner, Mary Gaedt, Elaine Konczal and Mike Mandziuk who gave me such strong administrative and musical support.

Thank you also to my dear wife Kim and my family. Working 48 weekends per year and all holidays, I was missing or late for many family activities over the past 30+ years.

I also want to thank and acknowledge my predecessor, Andrew Clark, who served this parish for 16 years and died in a tragic accident in 2010. He set the table for what we built at Our Lady of the Lakes and we stand on Andrew's noble shoulders in everything we did.

Lakes will be in the capable hands of Martin Saporski. I am happy to pass the baton on to this fine man and musician. We will be blessed to have Jenna Fuller continuing on as Assistant Music Director.

Finally I want to thank all the parish family of Our Lady of the Lakes for welcoming me into your warm embrace. It has been blessing for me to be able to sing and worship with you through all the weddings, funerals, solemnities, high feasts and ordinary time. We marked all these milestones of life, lifting our voice in prayer and song to God. Our song and our prayer continues on even when we are physically separated.

Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.



To God be the glory,
Tim Smith
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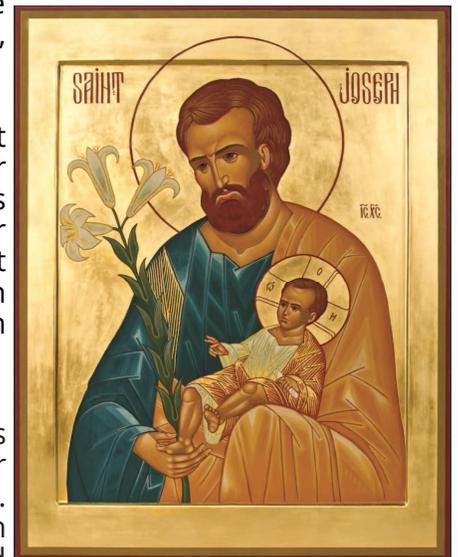
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PILGRIM ICON PROGRAM

A Higher Purpose Spread devotion to St. Joseph and pray for the courage to stand up and carry out our mission of protecting, defending, and raising future generations.

Every few years, the Knights of Columbus selects an icon of a saint whose patronage is particularly inspiring to Knights and their communities. Each jurisdiction receives one or several of these icons which travel from council to council and serve as the centerpieces for prayer services in parishes throughout the Order. Since the first traveling pilgrim icon of Our Lady of Guadalupe in 1979, more than 174,800 council and parish prayer services with some 22 million participants have been held.

In the first year of his pontificate, Pope Francis received the Order's Board of Directors in a private audience, during which the Holy Father said "I commend all of you in a special way to the intercession of St. Joseph, the protector of the Holy Family of Nazareth, who is an admirable model of those manly virtues of quiet strength, integrity and fidelity which the Knights of Columbus are committed to preserving, cultivating and passing on to future generations of Catholic men."



We will be accepting the transfer of the Icon on either Thursday, June 16th or Friday June 17th (Fathers Day weekend). It will be placed on the altar at all Masses. We will have the Icon until Friday, June 24th.

Please come, see and pray the devotion to St. Joseph with us.

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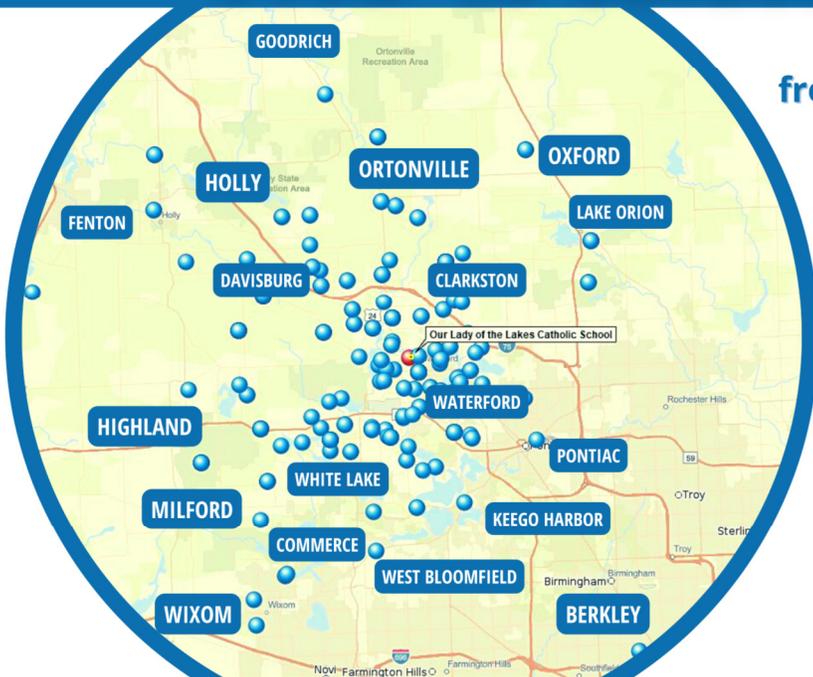
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Joy Higdin
Marie Wilmot
Jodi Myers
Kristine Hammond
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Pam Hayes
Larry Junglas
Carl Mauro

To add someone to the prayer list please contact the parish office.

FOR OUR MILITARY PERSONNEL

CW3 Jacob Beno, Army
Capt Kelsey Beno, Army
† Jenna Beno died 10/15/12
AMN Stewart Blaquiere, A F
† PFC Damian Bushart, Army, died 11/22/03
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, Army, died 8/16/18
Francesca Meno, Army
Karolyn Meno, Air Force
† PFC Joseph Miracle, Army, died 7/5/07
LCP Derek Monday, Marines
SGT. Gunnar Ottman, Army
Amanda Paczynski, Army
Capt. Matthew Richards, Army
Katie Rounds
CPTN Daniel Schasser
Anthony Schmidt, Marines
Lt. Col. Nick Strelchuk, Air Force
Cory Vaught, Army
James Whitlow, Navy
Max Kravetz, National Guard
SR. Samantha Sharpe, Navy
To update an individual's rank or to add someone to the list, please contact us at the parish office.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

July 11th-15th

9AM- 12PM



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| Saturday, 5:00 pm | Fr. Bob | Z. Czmpbell L. Romkema A. Voto | Colleen Flynn | Karen Romkema |
| Sunday, 8:00 am | Fr. Scott | B. Asai E. ASai M. Gallmeyer | Mark Blaszkiewicz | Jean Kempf |
| Sunday, 9:30 am* | Fr. Scott | D. Comerford G. Drouin Kasen Koshorek | Christopher Drouin | Paul & Sandra Cloutier |
| Sunday, 11:00 am* | Fr. Bob | H. Schneider R. Bonnavier R. Luptowski | Phil Nickerson | Ray Hedding |
| Sunday, 12:30 pm | Fr. Bob | B. Burton L. Jasinski J. Soliman | Noah Smith | David Tardiff |

 *9:30am & 11:00am Masses streamed live at ollonline.org/live and facebook.com/ollwaterford/live

Altar Help

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| June 23 | Group 3: Marilyn Golding, Jody McNeill |
| July 2 | Group 5: Pat Hannum, Josie Slupek, Suzanne Navarre, Lauren Erdman |

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MASS & 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

Please sign up @ [Tinyurl.com/Adoration1](https://tinyurl.com/Adoration1)

Choir Wednesday's at 7:30pm

Faith Formation

Ages 4/5.....Sundays | 9:30am

Mondays Grades 1-8 | 6:15pm

Family Catechesis.....One Sunday of Each Month | 11:00am

RCIA Tuesday | 7:00pm

Weddings

Arrangements must be made at least 6 months in advance.

Couples must attend the Pre-Marriage Workshop.

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