



OUR LADY OF THE LAKES
Catholic Church
WATERFORD, MICHIGAN

15th Sunday in *Ordinary Time*

THOUGHTS FROM FR. SCOTT

Recently, I've been talking to people about their lives and needs. Given our current lifestyles, we could all use some reminders about what is most important. Our service of and connection to God is fundamental to our mental health and yet too many of us fail in the area of prayer. Lack of communication with God will only allow us to become distant and disconnected from all living things. So, it seems prudent to avail ourselves of all opportunities to deepen our prayer lives with the Lord Our God.

The pace of life during the summer months affords us the time necessary to be in communion with those things leading to quiet contemplation. Without a doubt, we should be able to spend more time with tasks that often elude us and yet are necessary to a healthy life. Prayer is one such avenue to be rejuvenated in the summer. Why? Well, it works to our advantage to use our time wisely. This means spending time with our friends when we have the opportunity. Prayer is a moment, which allows us to spend time with Jesus our very best friend of all.

The story of Solomon is one that demonstrates the fruit of true prayer. Solomon is visited by God and exhorted to ask for something; anything he desires. Whatever he chooses God will grant. Solomon asks for the one thing only God can provide and does not ask for power. He asks for an understanding heart. God is pleased with this request and grants his desire. What would we ask for in this circumstance? We are faced with this opportunity of asking God for grace almost daily, yet we never seem to know what to ask for, do we? However, if we were more accomplished at prayer and communing with God we would be able to ask for an understanding heart every day. No other answer or desire

would ever enter our mind if we focus on serving God by serving our neighbor.

This is all about practicing the presence of God in our daily lives. Our prayer is a reflection of our soul and how well we remain in contact with God our heavenly Father. Our readings are all about our active prayer life this week. It is vitally important to live an active charitable life of God whenever we get the opportunity. Moses tells the people of God that the command to follow the will of God in our lives is not something too far beyond our understanding. He reminds them, and us, to heed the voice of the Lord in all things. In this way we remain on a constant charitable path toward God. I hope everyone will ask for an understanding heart and the ability to accomplish the Will of God in our lives on a daily basis.

Additionally, we hear the story of the Good Samaritan this weekend. This familiar story compels us to look upon of our brothers and sisters with mercy. Jesus wants us to think well of others and leave our personal biases aside. Everyone is our neighbor in need of our charity and hopeful attitude. We need to imitate Jesus in His generosity of Spirit. Our prayer should lead us to be charitable in all circumstances. Yes, we have a great capacity to heal while being authentically Christian in all things. Think well of others and treat them with mercy not rash judgment. In this we will find the path to Heaven where mercy rules and forgiveness abounds. In fact, the measure with which we measure will be measured out to us.

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

Thought for the week: Prayer: a vital lifeline to God too often neglected!

VOILAND'S VIEW

"The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest."

So says Jesus to his disciples. That's us. The Lord's instruction is somewhat of an open-ended statement, though. There are two ways of hearing these words. We feel the call to be obedient and industrious disciples, so we want to be helpers with the harvest. But, we also recognize that we ourselves are in need of being harvested – we need our souls saved, too. Seeing both sides of the Lord's project, we must figure out exactly what it means to "labor for his harvest."

At first blush, laboring to gather the harvest seems pretty simple. Like tomatoes or wheat or berries, you go out into the field, find the ripe stuff and pick it. But the harvest, in this case, is not fruit or grain – it's souls. How can you tell if a soul is ripe? And how on earth do you pick it? The abundant harvest that Jesus was moved to gather in was a crowd of "troubled and abandoned sheep." What did he see in these people that moved his heart to want to gather them in?

Gathering these sheep means providing for them in a way that calms their troubled hearts and makes them feel cared for and wanted. The only way for people to be calm and secure is to know that they are living in the truth. Life must be real and meaningful, not a sham. We know that for this to happen, people must be drawn into Christ. Yet, harvesting souls for Christ is a complicated and time-consuming job. It is not a simple matter of going out and picking a ripe tomato – because, if souls were tomatoes, every tomato would be of a different variety. Similarly, every human soul has unique needs which must be recognized. Without treating each person as having been uniquely created by God, we will be unable to help him or her know the fundamental truth of Jesus Christ as Savior. Coming to know that Jesus is the Son of God, who came as a man, suffered and died for us, rose from the dead, and ascended to heaven to continually intercede for us with the Father is what it means to be "harvested." This is what we are called to do ourselves and to bring others to do – believe in Jesus. This is harvesting.

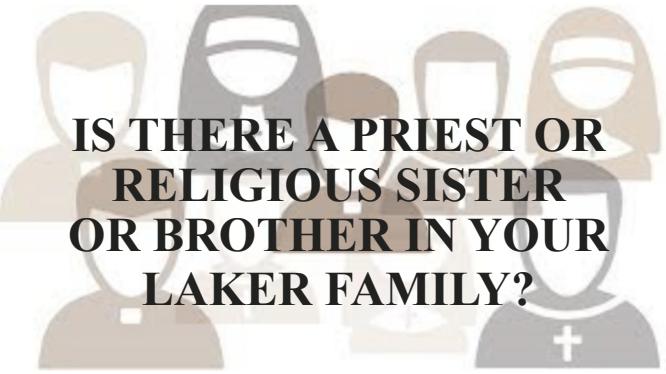
Remember, too, that the harvest is not always "out there." Jesus looked up, right in front of himself, and saw the abundance of souls that needed gathering. These souls often did not know

that they needed to be brought into the fold. Many even resisted, with their troubled hearts and feelings of abandonment, keeping them from the truth of Christ. Such souls may be very near to us as well, in our own families, a spouse, a child, or a sibling. Gathering in these souls is a labor of patient love and endurance. The work of harvesting may even be painful when the yield seems to be so slow coming.

But the One who grows the crop is the One who ultimately brings about the final yield. We laborers are the hands and feet, the eyes and ears of the Father who has called us to be the Body of Christ on earth. God provides the grace; we provide the muscle and sweat to make him present among those who so desperately need him. "Okay, Lord, send me!"

Grace and Peace to you in Christ,

Fr. Bob



IS THERE A PRIEST OR RELIGIOUS SISTER OR BROTHER IN YOUR LAKER FAMILY?

The OLL Vocations Committee is compiling a list of religious vocations that came from Our Lady of the Lakes families. If you know of a priest, or religious sister or brother (living or deceased), who grew up at OLL, please let us know.

Email the name of the priest, sister, or brother and their religious affiliation, along with your contact info to:

michelle.konarzewski@ollonline.org

Thank you!

This Week's Liturgies

MONDAY, JULY 11

8:15 AM †Dorothy Rodzik by Michael & Kathy Sabol
†Al Knake by Family

TUESDAY, JULY 12

8:15 AM †Arthur Sans by His Children
†Richard Brelin by Brelin family

WEDNESDAY, JULY 13

8:15 AM †Joseph Corbiel Sr by Family
†Robert Parsons by Jarco Family

THURSDAY, JULY 14

8:15 AM †Al Knake by The Ross Family

Dr. & Mrs. Matthew Kulick Anniv. by Mom & Dad

FRIDAY, JULY 15

8:15 AM †Fr. James Cronk by The Chuck Campbell Family
Judy Brooks by Anne Zubalik

SATURDAY, JULY 16

5:00 PM †Emily Zubalik by Anne Zubalik
†PFC Joseph Miracle by Family

SUNDAY, JULY 17

8:00 AM Parish Family of Our Lady of the Lakes
Hock Family by Family
9:30 AM †John McMahon Sr. by The McMahon Family
†John McMahon Jr. by The McMahon Family
11:00 AM †Matt Handzo by Father & Brother
Lvg. & Dc'd. Family of Suzanne Navarre
12:30 PM The Widowed of OLL
Souls in Purgatory

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 10, 2022

Sunday

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dt 30:10-14; Ps 69:14,17,30-31,33-34,36,37
or Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Col 1:15-20; Lk 10:25-37

Monday

Memorial of Saint Benedict, Abbot

Is 1:10-17; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 & 23; Mt 10:34-11:1

Tuesday

Is 7:1-9; Ps 48:2-3a, 3b-4, 5-6, 7-8; Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday

Memorial of Saint Henry

Is 10:5-7, 13b-16; Ps 94:5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 14-15;
Mt 11:25-27

Thursday

Memorial of Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Ps 102:13-14ab & 15, 16-18, 19-21; Mt 11:28-30

Friday

Memorial of Saint Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Is 38:10, 11, 12abcd, 16;
Mt 12:1-8

Saturday

Memorial of Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Mi 2:1-5; Ps 10:1-2, 3-4, 7-8, 14; Mt 12:14-21

Sunday

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

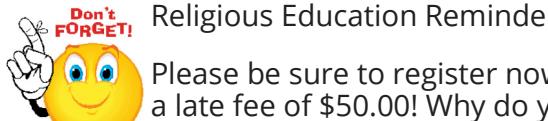
Gn 18:1-10a; Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5; Col 1:24-28; Lk 10:38-42

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Pray For Us



Jean's Jottings | Faith Formation News

This week we are hosting 100 plus children in our VBS and I ask for your prayers for Beth and her crew; may they also feel the monumental love and strength of God through their ministry to His little ones this week.



Religious Education Reminder

Please be sure to register now to avoid a late fee of \$50.00! Why do you need to register so soon? It is vital to ensure enough catechists, aides and books!! Registrations can be found on the main page of our parish website: <https://ollonline.org/faith-formation>

If you are interested in volunteering in our various areas, please fill out the online volunteer form which is the last page of the registration form.

If you attend a Catholic school that is not a parish school and your child will be in second

or eight grade next year, please don't forget to register them for sacramental prep through the faith formation office or online so that you are included in sacramental meetings and reminders.

Faith Formation is consecutive years from first through eighth grade; please ensure that your kids, grandchildren neighbors and friends are aware that registration is now open and they should register now to avoid late fees.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Jean at 248-623-0291 or by email at jean.hartman@ollonline.org

Peace and prayer,

Jean Hartman, 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):

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
248-623-0274 x230 or michelle.konarzewski@ollonline.org



PRAYER SHAWLS

Do you have a family member or a friend that could use the grace of a prayer shawl? We have a supply of prayer shawls at the Parish Center that can be given to someone you know who needs comfort. These shawls were made with prayers and can be provided to those suffering from grief, illness, or other life situations. These garments come with a prayer to be said by the recipient and bring the added comfort of knowing that others are praying for the receivers of these shawls. Please contact Artha Horowitz at 248-623-0274 or artha.horowitz@ollonline.org

Our Parish Life Together

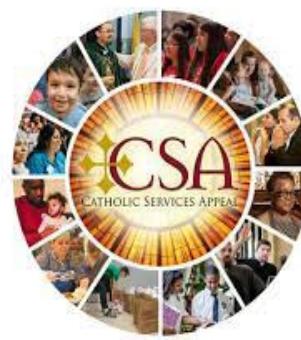
Stewardship Thoughts

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (July 9/10, 2022) God's law connects today's First Reading and our Gospel from the evangelist St. Luke. In the Book of Deuteronomy, Moses points out to the ancient Israelites that keeping God's law is doable for it is already in your mouths and in your hearts. In the Gospel, in the parable of the Good Samaritan, we hear Jesus encouraging us to express our love of God through love and mercy for our neighbor. For all Christians, love of God and neighbor are the two greatest commandments—and serve as the foundation for evangelizing through our acts of stewardship. One way to express the love of God is through our devout actions before and while partaking of the Holy Eucharist—the true presence of the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of our Lord and Savior. Receive Holy Communion regularly for the strength and courage to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, and perform other Corporal Works of Mercy.



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Holy Communion for the Homebound

If you or someone you know is a homebound Our Lady of the Lakes parishioner who would like to receive Holy Communion OR if you are currently taking Communion to homebound members, please reach out to us and let us know so that we can provide you with the resources and help that you need. Please contact Michelle with any questions

michelle.konarzewski@ollonline.org or 248-623-0274 ext. 230.



Saintly Stitchers

Same great group, fancy new name. Calling all knitters & crocheters, beginner or experienced, young and young at heart. We have started a yarn ministry at Our Lady of the Lakes. We will meet monthly to enjoy fellowship and create prayer shawls & blankets, baby blankets, booties and more to bless our community with. Our next meeting will be July 13, 2022 at 6:30pm in the Parish Center. Please contact Dawn Suttle at saintlystitcher@gmail.com with any questions.

Come, Pray + the Rosary

We invite all to join us each Wednesday at 6:30pm for a Rosary with our Blessed Mother.

We will be Outside weather permitting or In the Chapel

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Do Not Sign the Abortion Amendment!

A committee called Reproductive Freedom for All is working to amend the Michigan Constitution. Led by Planned Parenthood and the ACLU, this committee's amendment would create a new unlimited and unregulated right to abortion in our state.

This radical proposal is not about reproductive freedom, which already exists. This poorly-worded amendment would repeal dozens of state laws, including laws unrelated to abortion. It could affect any law related to pregnancy and abortion and does not exempt minor children.

The following state laws are at risk:

- Parental consent for abortion
- Ban on school employees helping children have abortions
- Laws requiring parental consent for medical treatment related to pregnancy, including sterilizations and hormone therapy
- Late-term abortion bans
- Screening for women being coerced to have abortion
- Health and safety requirements for abortion facilities
- Requirement that only doctors perform abortion
- Conscience protections for doctors/nurses who object to abortions
- Ban on tax-funded abortions
- Michigan's original 1846 and revised 1931 abortion ban
- Bans on statutory rape and incest
- Prostitution ban
- Ban on human cloning



Knights Korner

Dearborn Meats 2022 Easter Fundraiser



Ready to join the Knights?

For those men over the age of 18 interested in becoming a Knight, please contact:

Grand Knight
Michael Mandziuk
GK5436@mikofc.org
or
MD5436@mikofc.org

Recently, Knights Council Grand Knight Chris Scheuer and Deputy Grand Knight Mike Mandziuk presented the proceeds from the Dearborn Meats Easter fundraiser to new Sacred Heart Major Seminary Rector/President, Rev. Stephen Burr. Mike also brought some different Dearborn sausages for the seminary staff to enjoy, in the K of C bucket, on the table.

We and the seminary Rector/President thank the parishioners for their generosity.

We give our prayers and support to Rev. Stephen Burr for his commitment to the mission of the seminary.

The Council would also like to thank outgoing GK Scheuer for his generous and unselfish service to the Knights during his tenure, and wishing incoming GK Mandziuk well in his new role and for his service as DGK.

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FOR OUR SICK

Luke Ells
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Ken Naski
Kevin Tersigni
Michael Morey
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Joseph Cifani
Jodi Myers
Kristine Hammond
Joan Valent
Pam Hayes
Larry Junglas
Carl Mauro
Dan Mitchell
Frank Tenuta
Francine Bailey
John Candiloro

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 Blaquier, 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 Schassner
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.



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Next Weekend July 16 & 17

Time	Presiders	Servers	Lectors	Sacristans
Saturday, 5:00 pm	Fr. Scott	G. McCarthy S. McCarthy B. McCarthy	John Arzenti	Karen Romkema
Sunday, 8:00 am	Fr. Bob	B. Chestnut J. Leddy N. Leddy	Joe Luginski	Jean Kempf
Sunday, 9:30 am*	Fr. Bob	K. Comerford M. Gillette R. Summers	Scott Spicuzzi	Paul & Sandra Cloutier
Sunday, 11:00 am*	Fr. Scott	B. Schneider D. Schneider D. Schneider	Evelyn Clark	Ray Hedding
Sunday, 12:30 pm	Fr. Scott	A. Melicor V. Soliman S. Johnson	Jose Soliman	David Tardiff

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

<i>Altar Help</i>	
July 7	Group 5: Pat Hannum, Josie Slupek, Suzanne Navarre, Lauren Erdman
July 14	Group 2: Theresa Johnson, David & Deborah Tardiff

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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](http://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.

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

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