

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time



OUR LADY OF THE LAKES
Catholic Church
WATERFORD, MICHIGAN

THOUGHTS FROM FR. SCOTT

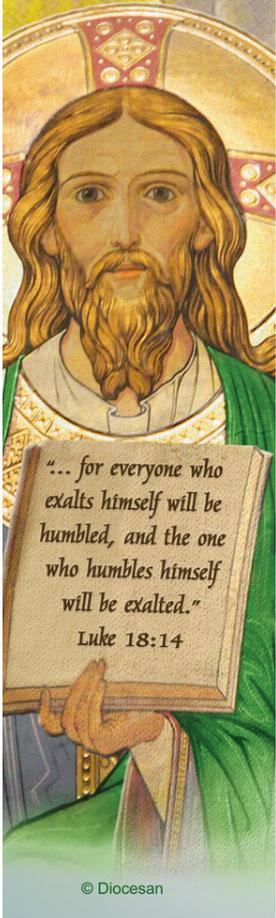
In September we celebrated "Priesthood Sunday." We missed our celebration this year because in the past it used to be celebrated on the last weekend of October. So, I would like us to recall all priests in our prayer this weekend. Priesthood Sunday was formally instituted in 2003 by The United States Council of *Serra International* to support the ministry of devoted priests and pray for vocations to the priesthood. Of course, this day is not about celebrating any individual priest but rather the institution of priesthood and ministry of priests. The ministerial priesthood is necessary and fundamental to our Sacramental Church. Without priests there would be no Eucharist and our Sacramental lives would be seriously compromised. God gave us priests and He interacts with us through the Sacraments administered by these priests. Therefore, we ought to thank our priests for their ministry, support them as best as we can and pray that many more men will respond generously to the call of service as a priest. In particular, you may want to think about a priest or priests who have helped you personally in the past. This would be a wonderful time to send a thank you note or make an encouraging phone call to him. Priests love to hear from the people of God and many are in great need of an encouraging word these days. So, be prayerfully supportive of all priests and make an effort to send a note of support or thanks to your favorite priest soon.

Everyone should pray for and encourage vocations to the priesthood daily. Obviously it can be difficult in our current culture to encourage vocations among those we see as future priests. Many people think it awkward to ask a young man to consider priesthood and service to the Church. However, it is vital to our survival as a church to talk about and encourage priestly vocations in a positive way. We have multiple young men studying for the priesthood from our parish which is a blessing from God. Still, we need to help young men understand that there is support for this way of life. We should never shy away from suggesting priesthood to the young men who we believe would make great priests. Our

statement or question might just be the support he needs to respond generously. Priesthood is a wonderful life and an awesome gift from God. I recommend it to any young man, in particular our best and brightest. So, join me in seeking out young men and encouraging them to consider a priestly vocation. Our very future depends upon our having dedicated, smart and self-giving men of good character becoming priests.

Remember to Vote No on Proposal 3. We have an obligation to accompany one another in life and especially those who feel as if they have limited options when it comes to procreation. As a Church, we have consistently supported life and those who are effected by awful human circumstances here in this world. Still, and above all, we have an obligation to God to respect His most precious gift of Life. Elsewhere in the bulletin this weekend you will find a breakdown of the proposal that explains how it's dangerous. It is the most destructive and anti-life proposal ever put forward for a vote. It goes well beyond a so called "right to legal to abortion" that some claim is necessary and does away with any protections of women and children. It destroys all existing laws regarding this issue such as reflection periods and parental consent for minors among them. It compels any health professional to participate in taking a life in the womb up to and including the day of giving birth. There are no conscience objections for any health professional, or anyone else for that matter, and proposes penalties for those who will not participate in the innocent taking of life. If voted into law it will certainly be used to silence people of faith in the public square. Simply put it is a horrible proposal and we have a spiritual, moral and human obligation to see that this proposal is not allowed to amend our constitution in the state of Michigan. Voting for or supporting this measure in any way puts our mortal souls at risk. We simply cannot in any way support the enshrining of murder into law. This very notion goes against every command of God and every duty of the faithful in Christ.

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"... for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted."
Luke 18:14

THOUGHTS FROM FR. SCOTT CONTINUED

This week we are reminded to be humble before God. This manner of humility means we should submit our wills to our Heavenly Father. God does not change; our understanding of God evolves because of our human condition. This should help us understand God more completely and sharpen our thoughts. Following this thought, we are more apt to remain faithful to God in everything we proclaim with our voices and lives. Therefore, we should not verbally assault one another; rather we are called to be compassionate and consistent in our lives. Assaulting one another, whether in word, thought or deed, only demonstrates our ignorance and lack of faith. True humility challenges in love and respects the conscience of another. Challenging another does not mean condemning in arrogance; there is a huge difference between the two. Humility makes us authentically Christian and honors our lives in Christ. Remember, God is pleased when we recognize and admit our shortcomings and through repentance He leads us to love as Christ loves!

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

Thought for the week: Thank you, Lord, for giving us the priesthood; and the faithful, dedicated men who so willingly serve in your vineyard.

VOILAND'S VIEW

A big obstacle to living a good Christian life is the issue of delayed gratification – having to wait to get something that we want. Waiting to have our desires satisfied is not something human beings are naturally good at doing. And, Americans are particularly bad at staying cool while waiting to get our way. Our edginess over having to wait is so common that I'm certain that every Catholic who has ever been to the Sacrament of Reconciliation has confessed being impatient with somebody. I know I certainly have. Maybe my impatience came from my Dad. He was a guy who refused to wait in lines. He said that after he got out of the Army (where you basically had to wait in line . . . to get into another line) he would never wait in line again. And he didn't. If we went into a restaurant, and there was more than say, a two-minute wait for a table, we were out of there.

This unwillingness to put off our desires affects a lot more than just getting a bite to eat, though. Simple, little instances of impatience lead to more serious defects in our character, if we let them go unchecked. At times, our impatience might be justified. But, if we are not truly paying attention to the circumstances that surround our irritations, we can get to a point where we think we are *always* right – and everyone else is *always* wrong. When we get to that point, we are on a slippery slope in the wrong direction. We have suddenly transitioned from being impatient to self-absorbed. And self-absorption is precisely what Christianity calls us to abandon.

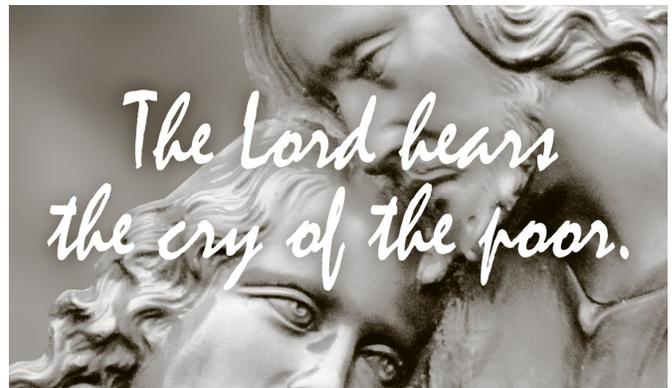
So much of what turns people off about Christianity is Christ's insistence that we put off our own wants, and even needs, in order to help someone else. Remember though, *helping* someone else does not mean satisfying *all* of their desires, either. It means helping them find Christ. Helping them find Jesus might first mean supplying for their basic physical needs. But, the ultimate goal is for them to meet Christ himself. Still, this whole process often calls for us to give up our own immediate desires – at least for a while – but sometimes permanently.

Without a willingness to control our appetites for anything and everything, we basically become undisciplined beasts. And that is pretty much what we have come to be in today's society. We are encouraged to do whatever it takes to get what we want. Even further, we are now enacting laws that don't restrict evil behavior, but actually enable and promote it. From gambling, to addictive substances, to rampant pornography, to unrestricted sex, to abortion to accommodate the unrestricted sex, to whatever the most animalistic urges in humans can come up with – the state is into legalizing opportunities to sin.

All that said, I'm not opposed to having a good time. And I don't live in a cave. But, I see the world we live in – and the balance has tipped. In fact, it has flipped. We are now glorifying behaviors that we winked at in the past, but we knew they were bad for us. Now we say that evil is good – killing babies is healthcare – and we are killing ourselves in the process. We are fools, because we cannot control ourselves for a microsecond. We must have our way.

If we can stop, for maybe thirty whole seconds, and actually *think*, there is an ultimate delayed gratification that is optional, and is worth considering. It is called heaven. The delay takes exactly one lifetime. During the delay, if you keep your eyes on the goal, all of the sacrifices *required* to attain the goal are doable – hard, but doable. There is an alternative option at the end of that same one lifetime. It is called hell. You don't have waste time watching for it. You'll never even see it coming. You'll be too busy preoccupying yourself with what you want – NOW!

Choose Life. Choose Heaven. Vote **NO** on Proposal 3.
- Fr. Bob



This Week's Liturgies

MONDAY, OCTOBER 24

8:15 AM †Dorothy Rodzik by Ted Rodzik
†Kenneth Leece by friend

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25

8:15 AM †Patty Batwinas by the Zednik Family
†Arthur & Elizabeth Sans by their children

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26

8:15AM Fr. Bob Voiland by family
† Debi Lange by the DiCarlo Family

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27

8:15AM †Tim Neville by Mary Beth & Doug Ritter
†John Joseph Bibbler by Teresa Grohs

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28

8:15 AM Int. Chris Donohue by Mom & Dad
Joe & Shirley McGee 72nd Anniversary by
Family

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29

5:00 PM Parish Family of OLL
†Kevin Ronquillo by Mom and Dad

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30

8:00 AM †Kathy Redker by the Ford Family
Int. Alesi Family
9:30 AM †Dan Konczal by wife
†Clancy Aerts by Kathy & Ray Dodge
11:00 AM †Grace Miele Brennock by family
†Mick Carry by the Ritter Family
12:30 PM † Don & Margie Arsen by Bill & Carol
Mountain
†Bev Armstrong by J.J. Hutzenbiler

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 23, 2022

Sunday

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sir 35:12-14, 16-18; Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23;
2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18; Lk 18:9-14

Monday

Memorial of Saint Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop

Eph 4:32-5:8; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6; 17a; Lk 13:10
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Tuesday

Eph 5:21-33; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5; Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday

Eph 6:1-9; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14;
Lk 13:22-30

Thursday

Eph 6:10-20; Ps 144:1B, 2, 9-10; Lk 13:31-35

Friday

Feast of Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles

Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Lk 6:12-16

Saturday

Phil 1:18b-26; Ps 42:2, 3, 5cdef; Lk 14:1, 7-11

Sunday

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 11:22-12:2; Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13, 14;
2 Thes 1:11-2:2; Lk 19:1-10

St. Joseph, defender of life, pray for us!

*Adoration and Prayer to defeat Proposal 3 every Tuesday in
the month of October from 6pm-8pm. Sacrament of
Reconciliation from 6pm-7pm. Rosary and Benediction at
7:15pm.*



Explainer of Proposal 3

Article 1, Section 28 Right to Reproductive Freedom

(1) Every individual ¹ has a fundamental right ² to reproductive freedom, which entails the right to make and effectuate decisions about all matters relating to pregnancy, including but not limited to prenatal care, childbirth, postpartum care, contraception, sterilization, ³ abortion care, miscarriage management, and infertility care.

An individual's right to reproductive freedom shall not be denied, burdened, nor infringed upon ⁴ unless justified by a compelling state interest achieved by the least restrictive means.

Notwithstanding the above, the state may regulate the provision of abortion care after fetal viability, provided that in no circumstance shall the state prohibit an abortion that, in the professional judgment of an attending health care professional, ⁵ is medically indicated to protect the life or physical or mental health ⁶ of the pregnant individual.

(2) The state shall not discriminate in the protection or enforcement of this fundamental right. ⁷

(3) The state shall not penalize, prosecute, or otherwise take adverse action against an individual based on their actual, potential, perceived, or alleged pregnancy outcomes, including but not limited to miscarriage, stillbirth, or abortion. Nor shall the state penalize, prosecute, or otherwise take adverse action against someone for aiding or assisting a pregnant individual in exercising their right to reproductive freedom with their voluntary consent. ⁸

(4) For the purposes of this section:

A state interest is "compelling" only if it is for the limited purpose of protecting the health of an individual seeking care, consistent with accepted clinical standards of practice and evidence-based medicine, and does not infringe on that individual's autonomous decision-making. ⁹

"Fetal viability" means: the point in pregnancy when, in the professional judgment of an attending health care professional and based on the particular facts of the case, there is a significant likelihood of the fetus's sustained survival outside the uterus without the application of extraordinary medical measures. ¹⁰

(5) This section shall be self-executing. Any provision of this section held invalid shall be severable from the remaining portions of this section.

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- 1** By using the word “individual” and not limiting it to adults, this fundamental right to abortion, sterilization, contraception and more would apply to children.
- 2** This proposal is a constitutional amendment, making it more difficult to change or overturn in the future.
- 3** Children would also have a right to seek sterilization and contraceptives.
- 4** The right to reproductive freedom would be nearly impossible to restrict or regulate.
- 5** Under Michigan law, a “health care professional” includes dentists, acupuncturists, massage therapists, counselors and more. In the amendment, health care professionals are given the ability to approve a late-term abortion.
- 6** This section appears to restrict late-term abortion, but it includes a mental health exception, so that a mother could cite anxiety on her due date as a reason for getting an abortion and a “health care professional” could agree. This would allow for abortions to happen at any point and for any reason.
- 7** This would end the state ban on using taxpayer dollars to fund abortions, because that would be seen as the state discriminating against the fundamental right to abortion.
- 8** The vague term “someone” means anyone, including someone who is not a doctor, could perform an abortion and this section bars the state from prosecuting if that someone hurts the woman in the abortion.
- 9** Fetal viability is the point when a baby could survive outside the womb. This amendment instead makes it based on the professional judgement of the “health care professional,” the particular facts of the case, and whether there is “significant likelihood” the baby would survive without “extraordinary medical measures.” Any premature baby needing attention in the NICU after birth would not meet this standard, and if a healthcare professional agreed and the mother consented, a NICU premature baby could be denied life-saving care under this proposal.
- 10** Any abortion restriction would need to pass three tests: It must protect the health of the person seeking care, be consistent with accepted clinical standards of practice and not infringe on the person’s autonomous decision-making. The last part is key – most laws infringe on a person’s autonomous decision-making, meaning any law restricting abortion would not be allowed.

NO PROPOSAL 

TOO CONFUSING, TOO EXTREME

Our Parish Life Together

REGISTER TO VOTE!

You must be registered to vote in order to Vote **NO** on Proposal 3. Stop by St. Joseph Hall after any Mass on **October 22/23** (or go to: <https://vote.gov/register/mi/>) to register. **October 24th** is the deadline for online registration.

You may register in person at your city or township clerk's office up to Election Day, November 8th.

FINANCIAL REPORT WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Amount Needed to Fulfill Budget	\$28,500
Actual Weekly Collection	\$24,413
Actual over Budget	\$4,087

Fiscal Year to Date 7/1/2022-10/18/2022	
Fiscal Year Budget - Wk 16	\$456,000
Actual Year to Date	\$397,458
YTD Amount under Budget	\$58,542

Thank you for your generosity!

Again we wish to thank all of you who continue to give so generously to our Parish. May God bless each of you for your gift of sharing.

Young adults, ages 21-35

Trunk or Treat

DISNEY Edition

October 26th - 6-7pm

Come dressed as a Disney

- character to pass out candy to the little ones!

Our Lady of the Lakes Church parking Lot
RSVP: lakersyam@gmail.com

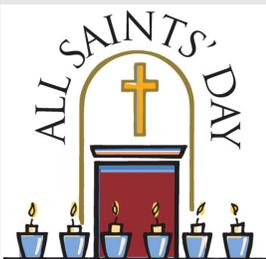
COSTUME PARTY

10/28 at 7 pm in the Parish Center Basement

Join us for music and games! Don't forget to come in your costume and bring a snack to share!

Young adults, ages 21-35

All Saints/ All Souls Day Mass



On Sunday, November 6, 2022 at 2:00 p.m., All Saints Cemetery will again host its annual Mass for the repose of the souls of those buried in the cemetery, known as our All Saints/ All Souls Day Mass. This Mass has been very well attended in recent years and we hope for an even larger crowd this year.

Friends, family members, and anyone is invited to attend.



Register now to attend one of our upcoming

OUR LADY OF THE LAKES HS SHADOW DAYS

 OCTOBER 19, 24, 26 & 31
NOVEMBER 2 & 9

 CONTACT ADMISSIONS AT:
ADMISSIONS@OLLONLINE.ORG
(248)623-0340 X 4

 REGISTER BY SCANNING THE QR CODE
OR VISITING US AT:
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Prayer Requests

FOR OUR SICK

Pat Whalen
Beverly Mercer
Kevin Tersigni
John Candiloro
Declan McCaffrey
Jim Jacques
Jacqui (Bell) Al-Guweiri
John Howie
Vi Kravetz
Tim Wolowiec
Mary Lucas
Larry Knapp
Cody Eubanks
Janet Banda
Linda Hemphill
Ralph Vogan
Kirk Leitner
Darlyne Seyerson
Katie Larsen
Ruth Sutter

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
SPC Vito Salvaggio, National Guard
Max Foster Staff Sergeant GT

To update an individual's rank or to add someone to the list, please contact us at the parish office.

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

Get Rosary How to's and more at: ollonline.org/rosary

Do you or someone you love have a problem with alcohol?

Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength, and hope with each other that they may solve their common problems and help others to recover from alcoholism.

A.A. meets every Friday in the St. Daniel Cushing Center at 7 p.m.

For more information, call Bob at 248-933-9179.

Mass of Remembrance

This Mass, held on **11/2 at 7 pm** will be in special remembrance of the deceased members of Our Lady of the Lakes over the past year.

The names of the departed will be read during Mass.

UPCOMING HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP EVENTS (Open to all teens grades 9-12)

10/26 6:30-8:30 p.m.-

All Saints Day Costume Party

Come dressed to play games and learn about the Saints!

11/13 9:30 am- 1:00 pm-

Mass and Tour of Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament. RSVP to michelle.konarzewski@ollonline.org to get permission slips.

Thank you to the Knights of Columbus for helping us with our annual youth group pumpkin carving event!

Take a Sack & Bring it Back

We are collecting a variety of items for St. Anne, St. Rita, Holy Redeemer and Lighthouse of Oakland County. We ask that you please take a sack from the tables in the back of the church, purchase the items listed on the bag and return it by **Sunday, 11/12, 2022.**

These charities help needy families daily with food and personal items which are beyond their budgets.

Next Weekend October 29 & 30

<i>Time</i>	<i>Presiders</i>	<i>Servers</i>	<i>Lectors</i>	<i>Sacristans</i>
Saturday, 5:00 pm	Fr. Bob	Z. Campbell M. Gillette A. Voto	John Arzenti	Karen Romkema
Sunday, 8:00 am	Fr. Scott	M. Gallmeyer E. Asai A. Wright	Brooke Reckinger	Jean Kempf
Sunday, 9:30 am*	Fr. Scott	A. McNiell A. Tibudan V. Mirjah	Scott Spicuzzi	Jim Bruso
Sunday, 11:00 am*	Fr. Bob	M. Mullett K. Koshorek K. Comerford	Jody McNeill	Ray Hedding
Sunday, 12:30 pm	Fr. Bob	G. Donnarumma L. Jasinski M. Shlaud	Jose Soliman	David Tardiff

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

Altar Help

October 27	Group 4: Theresa Elliot, Patt Polidan, Courtney Blazevic
November 3	Group 5: Pat Hannum, Josie Slupek, Suzanne Navarre, Lauren Erdman

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Director of Christian Service Artha Horowitz

Director of Music Ministry Martin Zaporski

Director of Faith FormationJean Hartman

Youth Evangelization.....Michelle Konarzewski

Bulletin DeadlineFridays, Noon

Bulletin Email bulletin@ollonline.org

Parish Email ParishOffice@ollonline.org

Prayer Requests ollprayerteam@ollonline.org

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/Adoration3

Choir Wednesday's at 7:15pm

Faith Formation

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

Mondays..... Grades 1-8 | 6:15pm

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

RCIA.....Sundays | 9:30am

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

National Domestic Violence Hotline 1-800-799-7233

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