



Our Lady of the Lake & St. Ann

P A R I S H C O L L A B O R A T I V E

JANUARY 21, 2024 | THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men."
- Mk 1:17

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*Reaching up to God, reaching out
to one another,
through prayer, service and friendship.*

WELCOME

Mass Times: Our Lady

Saturday 4:30 pm
Sunday 8:00 am & 11:00 am

Daily Masses:

9:30 am: Mon. - Wed. - Fri.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sat. 3:30 - 4:00 pm
30 min. before weekday Mass

Adoration:

M-W-F before Mass

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Mass Times:

Sunday & Tuesday 9:30 am

Adoration and Confession:

Tuesdays 9:00 am

Rosary: Tuesdays 10:00 am

Welcome Visitors & New Parishioners

Bulletin Deadline for both Parishes: 9 am on Monday | submit to cantos2@comcast.net

GOSPEL MEDITATION

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's readings call us to be decisive in our faith.

Simon, Andrew, James, and John demonstrate this decision for us in their response to Christ's calling, "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." In both instances, the men immediately abandoned what was before them and followed Christ.

Imagine if Simon and Andrew looked at their Savior and said, "Thanks for the offer, but we will finish up fishing and meet you later." That is no way a disciple should respond to Christ's call. Yet, that is how we often respond to Jesus' offer to us, "Come after me." We can easily fall into the misconception that we have plenty of time to live active discipleship. But as faithful stewards of our time, we must change our ways and immediately follow Christ more intentionally, because Christ is calling us to act now.

These men became members of Jesus' 12 apostles. They surrendered their entire lives to follow Christ. We, too, are called to surrender our lives to the Lord so that He may work through us. We might think, "God isn't calling me." But indeed, He is. Just as He called four ordinary fishermen, He is calling each one of us. Renewing and reevaluating what God might be asking of us throughout our lives is a key component of our stewardship journey.

As we settle into this New Year, let us ponder the ways we can renew our commitment to God. Let us ask ourselves: what are we casting our nets for? And are we willing to leave it behind for something much greater? And if not now, when?

— **Stewardship Reflections**
by Catholic Stewardship Consultants

Kick the Winter Blues by Volunteering!

Sam Adams Elementary School is in need of 30+ volunteers to tutor the same 1 or 2 students each week for six weeks beginning Wednesday, February 21st until Wednesday, March 27th. The program runs Monday and Wednesday from 3:15 - 5:45 pm. A curriculum will be provided for each tutor and the material given is great and easy to use. Contact Brandon Anderson at helpinghandsbanderson@gmail.com or call 269-445-8104 to learn more.

An informational meeting is scheduled for January 26th to answer questions and get things started.

60 kids. 30+ Volunteers. 6 weeks. Unlimited possibilities.



HEARING AID DEVICES AVAILABLE AT ST. ANN & OUR LADY

Did you know that there are devices that connect directly to the audio system at both churches? This makes it easier to hear and understand what is being said at Mass. See an usher if you would like to try a device. The ushers clean these after every use but you are welcome to bring your own audio headset or earbuds.

CURSILLO MEN'S RETREAT FEBRUARY 22-25

MEN, want a GREAT way to enhance your LENTEN experience? Please join us for the next Men's Cursillo Weekend, Feb. 22-25, in Sturgis, MI. Contact Mike at mlm1976nd@gmail.com for details or download an application <https://kalamazoocursillo.com>.



BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS AND REFRESHMENTS

St. Ann Parish Community enjoys celebrating birthdays! During Mass on January 28th, all those who celebrate a birthday in January will get to stand for a special blessing. After Mass, be sure to stay for refreshments which will include cake for everyone to enjoy. You can also add your name to the birthday board located in the Fellowship Hall.

OUR LADY OF THE LAKE MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 20

4:30 pm | Adeline DeSchepper

Sunday, January 21

8:00 am | Mark Sedlar

11:00 am | Linda DeBroka

Monday, January 22

9:30 am | Legal Protection of Unborn

Wednesday, January 24

9:30 am | Adeline DeSchepper

Friday, January 26

9:30 am | All Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, January 27

4:30 pm | Christine & Henry Houser

Sunday, January 28

8:00 am | For the Parish

11:00 am | Victoria Quinlan

OUR LADY PRAYER LIST PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Tim & Janice Ackerson, Marilyn Cobb, Ryan Clark, Dale Deditch, Lenni DeCraene, Dorothy Derringer, Maryann Dobransky, Ed Drone, Bob & Eva Jenkins, Bobbie Klimek, Theresa Miller, Frank Napowocki, Debra Swiental, Ryan Vogel, and all those in our prayer intention book!



OUR LADY FINANCES

Fiscal Year July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024

Budgeted Weekly Amount

Collection for January 14

Budgeted Weekly YTD

Total Actual Year To Date

<https://ourladyedwardsburg.org/donations-1>

100-Year \$100,000 Campaign

Christmas

This Week at Our Lady

Saturday, January 20

3:30 pm Confession

Sunday, January 21

Donuts, Coffee and Conversation

9:30 am 1st Communion Parent Meet

9:45 am Religious Education

11:00 am RE Mass

Monday, January 22

9:00 am Adoration/Confession

1:00 pm Hospitality Meeting

Tuesday, January 23

7:00 pm Finance Council Meeting

Wednesday, January 24

9:00 am Adoration/Confession

Friday, January 26

9:00 am Adoration/Confession

Saturday, January 27

3:30 pm Confession

Sunday, January 28

Donuts, Coffee and Conversation

9:45 am Confirmation Class

End Of Year Tax Statements
Watch your mail for your end of the year tax statements for both Our Lady and St. Ann. Statements will be going in the mail by the end of the month for anyone who has donated \$50 or more. If you contributed to the Bishop's Appeal, those statements will come directly from the Diocese.

Pray FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE UNBORN

ST. ANN MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, January 21

9:30 am | Nick Nicolini

Tuesday, January 23

9:30 am |

Sunday, January 28

9:30 am | Earl & Betty Almack

This Week at St. Ann

Sunday, January 21

9:30 am Rel. Ed Mass and Class

10:30 am Rosary for Life

Monday, January 22

7:00 pm Finance Council Meeting

Tuesday, January 23

9:00 am Adoration/Confession

10:00 am Rosary

Sunday, January 28

After Mass Birthday Celebration



ST. ANN PRAYER LIST PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Mary Fenech, Mary Fosdick, Frank & Vickie Kalina, Gene Karnes, Michael Lasiewicz, Monica (Mickie) Miller, Carla Novotny, John Palmer, Vance Stratton, Betty Van Lue, Margaret (Peggy) Wilds and all those in our prayer intention book!

Parish Finances

St. Ann's financial weekly report for St. Ann will be available until next week.

St. Ann Christmas Collection

BRINGING YOU NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE...

BUILDING EUCHARISTIC MARRIAGES

February 9 and 10th
St. Augustine Kalamazoo

Looking to strengthen your marriage, enrich your relationship? Join us for a special day and evening with your spouse. DATE: Friday, February 9th, 2024 from 6:00 pm - 9:30 pm - Saturday, February 10, 2024 from 8:30 am - 4:30 pm, St. Augustine Cathedral Parish, Crowley Center, 542 Michigan Ave., Kalamazoo, MI 49007 COST: \$50 per couple. <https://diokzoo.org/eucharisticmarriage>.

Circle of Friends This gathering for adults with cognitive/developmental disabilities is a time of fellowship, activities and reflection on the Sunday readings and a simple dinner. We will gather on the 4th Wednesday of the month from 6:00 - 7:30 pm in the Fellowship Room in the Stanley Centre at St. Catherine of Siena, 1150 W. Centre St., Portage. All are welcome! Upcoming gatherings are Jan. 24, Feb. 28, Mar. 27, and Apr. 24. Contact Lisa Irwin, lisairwin@ccdok.org or 381-9800 x227 to RSVP or for more information.

YOUNG ADULT (18-35) RETREAT

February 9 - 11 at Our Lady of the Angels

Young Adults of the diocese are invited to attend a retreat, "Stepping out of the Boat," on February 9-11 at Our Lady of the Angels Mission in Chicago, hosted by the Franciscans of the Eucharist. Registration is due by January 27. Registrants will receive information on transportation. Suggested donation is \$60-\$100. Contact Jen Tennant: jtennant@bcacs.org if you have any questions.

THE KALAMAZOO DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN invites you to a Women's Lenten Day of Reflection: *Encountering Jesus in the Eucharist*, Saturday, March 2, 2024, 8:30 am to 3:30 pm at St. Augustine Cathedral Parish, 542 W. Michigan Ave., Kalamazoo; Register by emailing KDCCW.REG@GMAIL.COM

CAREGIVER CONNECTION

All those caring for a loved one with a disability are invited to a monthly zoom gathering. Experience community, support and faith sharing. Caregiver Connection meets on the first Sunday of the month (except on holiday weekends when it moves to the second Sunday) from 1:00 - 2:00 pm. To learn more or to register go to <https://ccdok.org/connections-registration/> or contact Lisa Irwin at the Catholic Charities Diocese of Kalamazoo.

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SUPPORT THE SANCTITY OF LIFE

- Sunday, January 21 - 10:30 am at St. Ann
Pray the Rosary for all those affected by abortion.
- Sunday, January 21 - 6:00 pm - Community Prayer Service
Grace Bible Church - 412 E. State St. Cassopolis.



- Donate diapers and baby wipes to assist families in need. Leave the items in the gathering space at either Our Lady or St. Ann between January 14 and January 28. Donations will be given to the League for Encouraging Empowerment in Cassopolis and the Edwardsburg Food Pantry.



TEACHINGS OF THE CHURCH

Tuesday, Feb. 6 5:45 pm to 6:55 pm at Our Lady's Social Hall

Do you want a chance to both learn and speak with others about your Faith?

This month's class will be extended until 6:55 pm and you can learn more about the Church:

- 1.) One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic;
- 2.) The Priestly People of God, hierarchically organized;
- 3.) The Mystical Body of Christ, on earth, purgatory and heaven:

Also learn about the Evolution of the Church and what happened during each period from the earliest times to today.

All are invited to come to the classes on **The Teachings of the Church** sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

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T G I F - Today God Is First

WOOL (WOMEN OF OUR LADY)



WOOL wishes to thank all the many women and men who helped to make the year of 2023 enriching and prosperous for our entire parish and community. We're blessed to be able to continually provide assistance to the EFP, supplying brown bags and an annual coat distribution to visitors. The parish has benefited from the monthly booklets - *The Word Among Us* & this year's Christmas gift - *Beautiful Eucharist*. WOOL also continues to purchase the hosts needed for our Masses. We look ahead to 2024 and we are excited about the upcoming events: in June the Annual Salad Luncheon; November the Holiday Bazaar; and introducing a new event - Advent by Candlelight. We invite ALL ladies of the parish to join our meetings; your fresh ideas and input would be greatly appreciated. We plan to meet on the following Mondays @ 10:00 am: Mar. 18th, May 20th, July 15th, Sept. 16th & Nov. 18th.

Save the Date

HAPPENINGS AT OUR PARISH COLLABORATIVE

- Feb. 3/4: St. Blaise Blessings of the Throat at all Masses
- Feb. 10/11: Marriage Blessings at all Masses followed with refreshments




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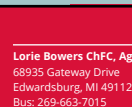
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